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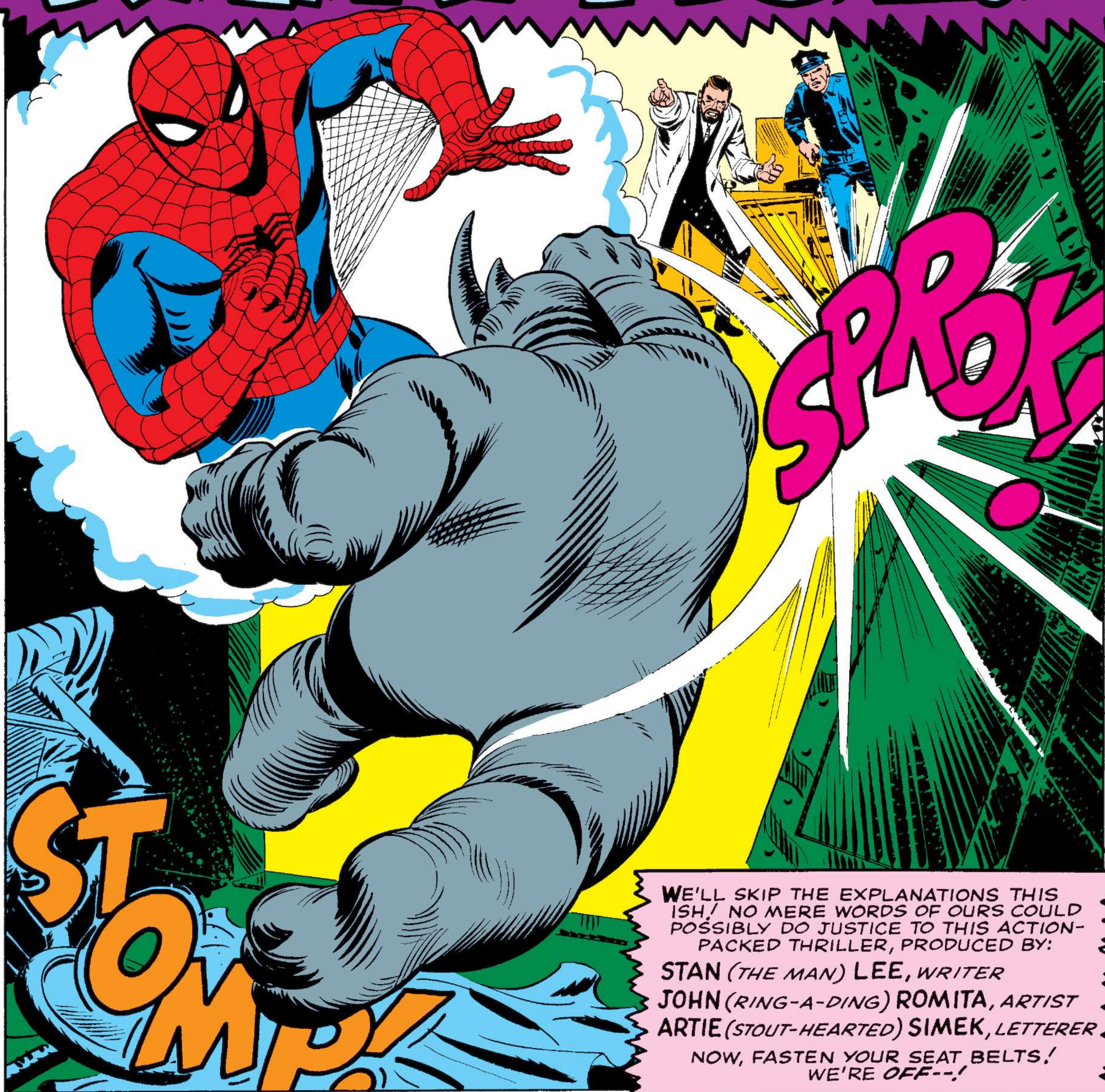
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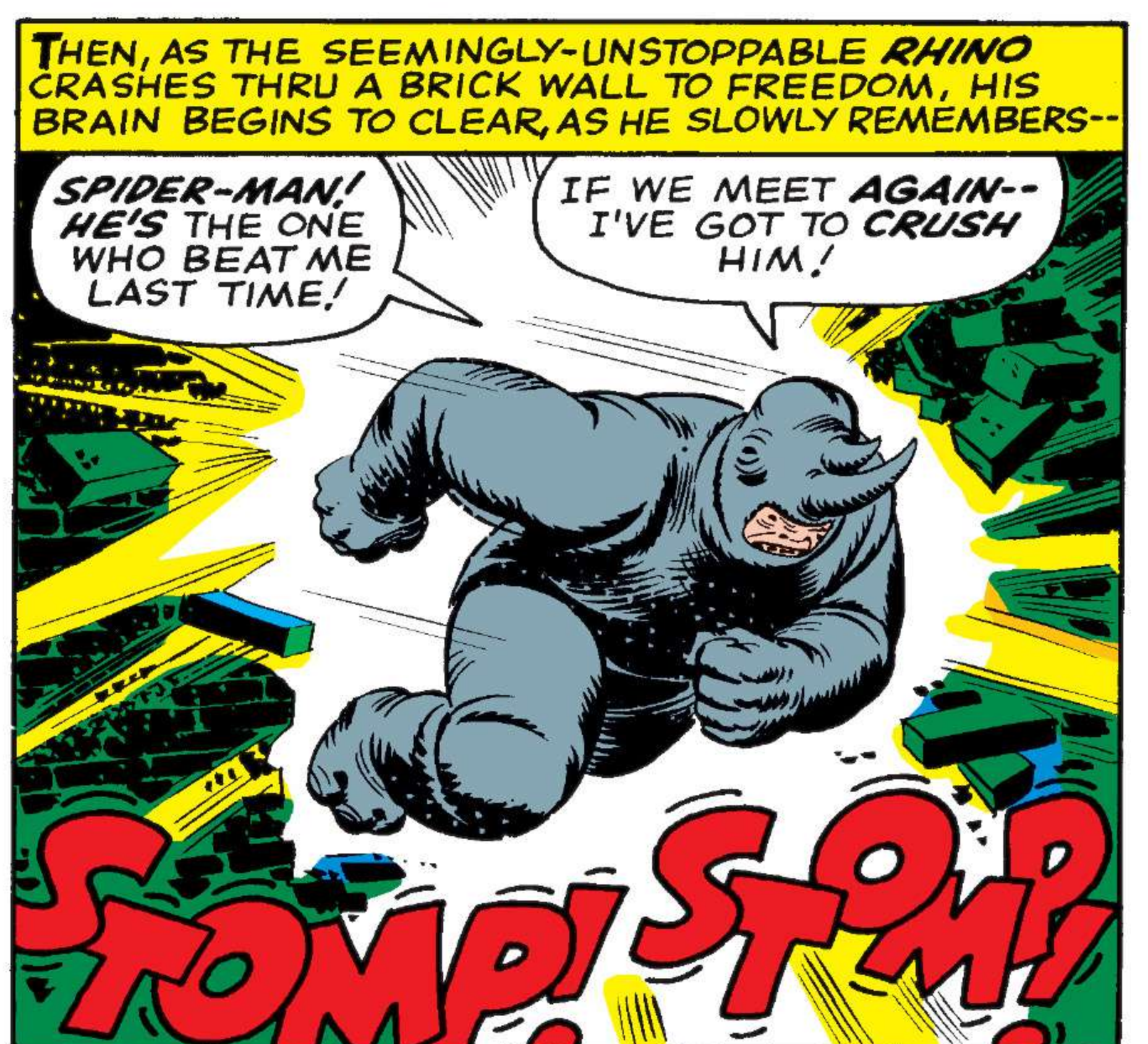
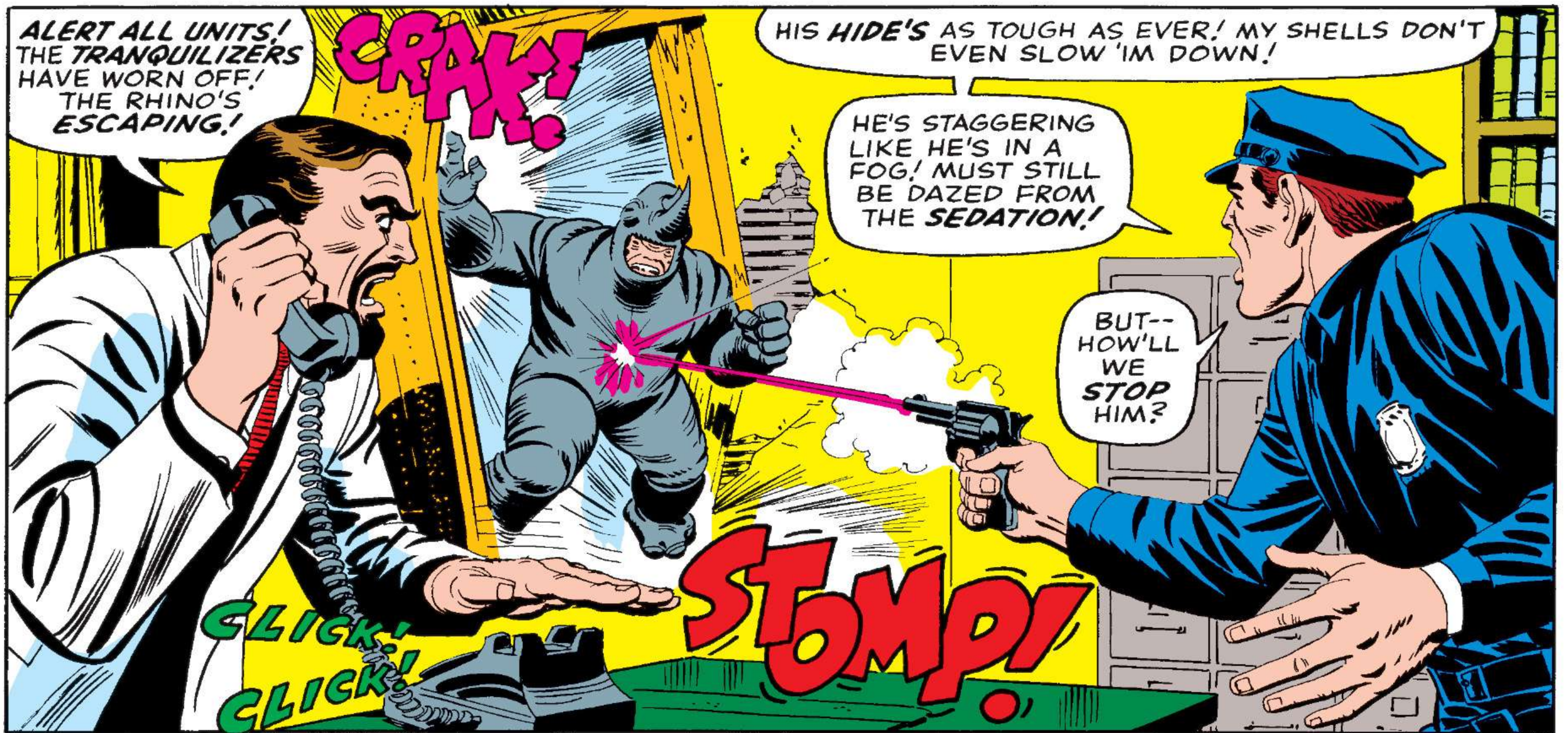
WE'LL SKIP THE EXPLANATIONS THIS ISH! NO MERE WORDS OF OURS COULD POSSIBLY DO JUSTICE TO THIS ACTION-PACKED THRILLER, PRODUCED BY:

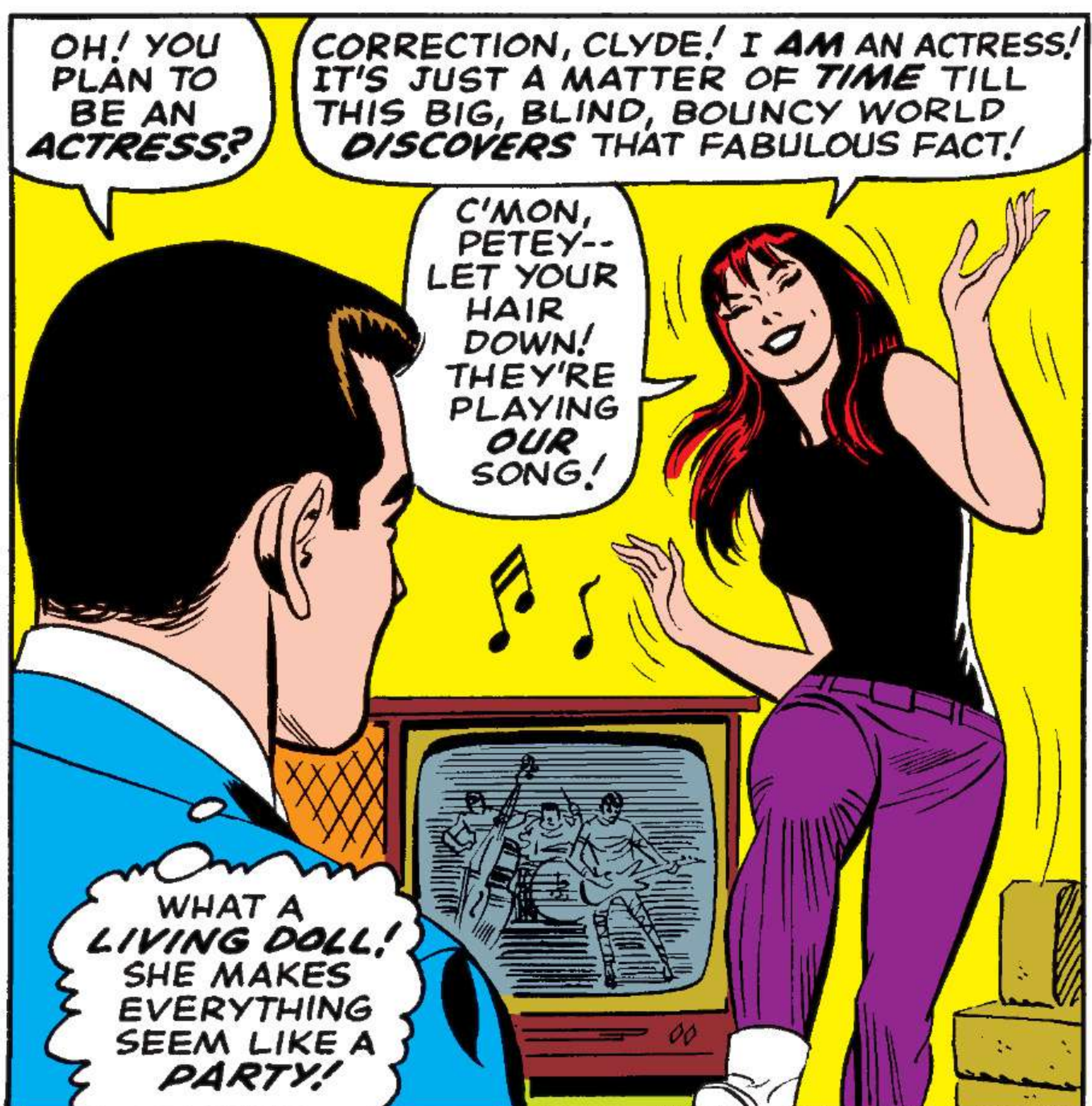
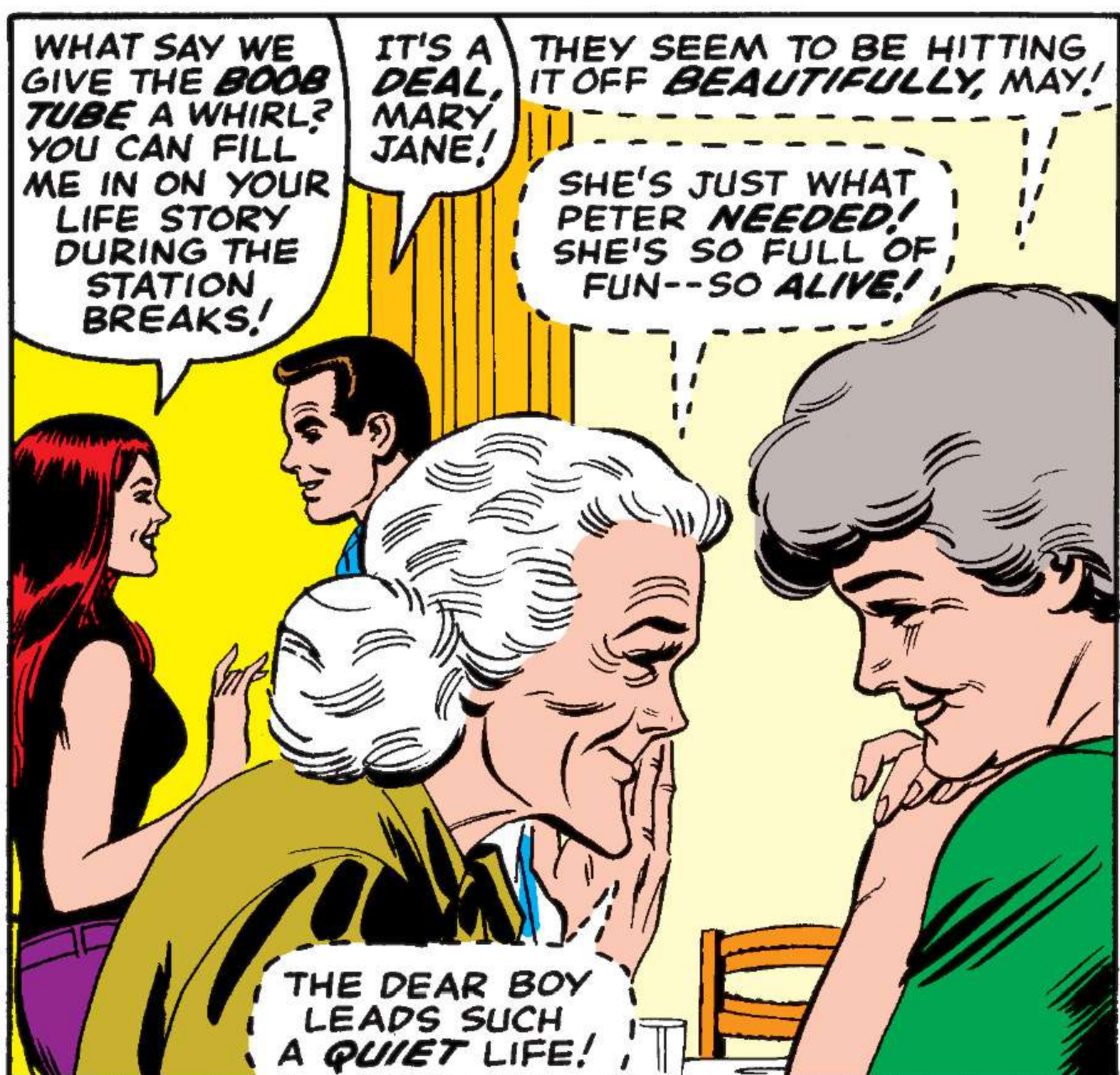
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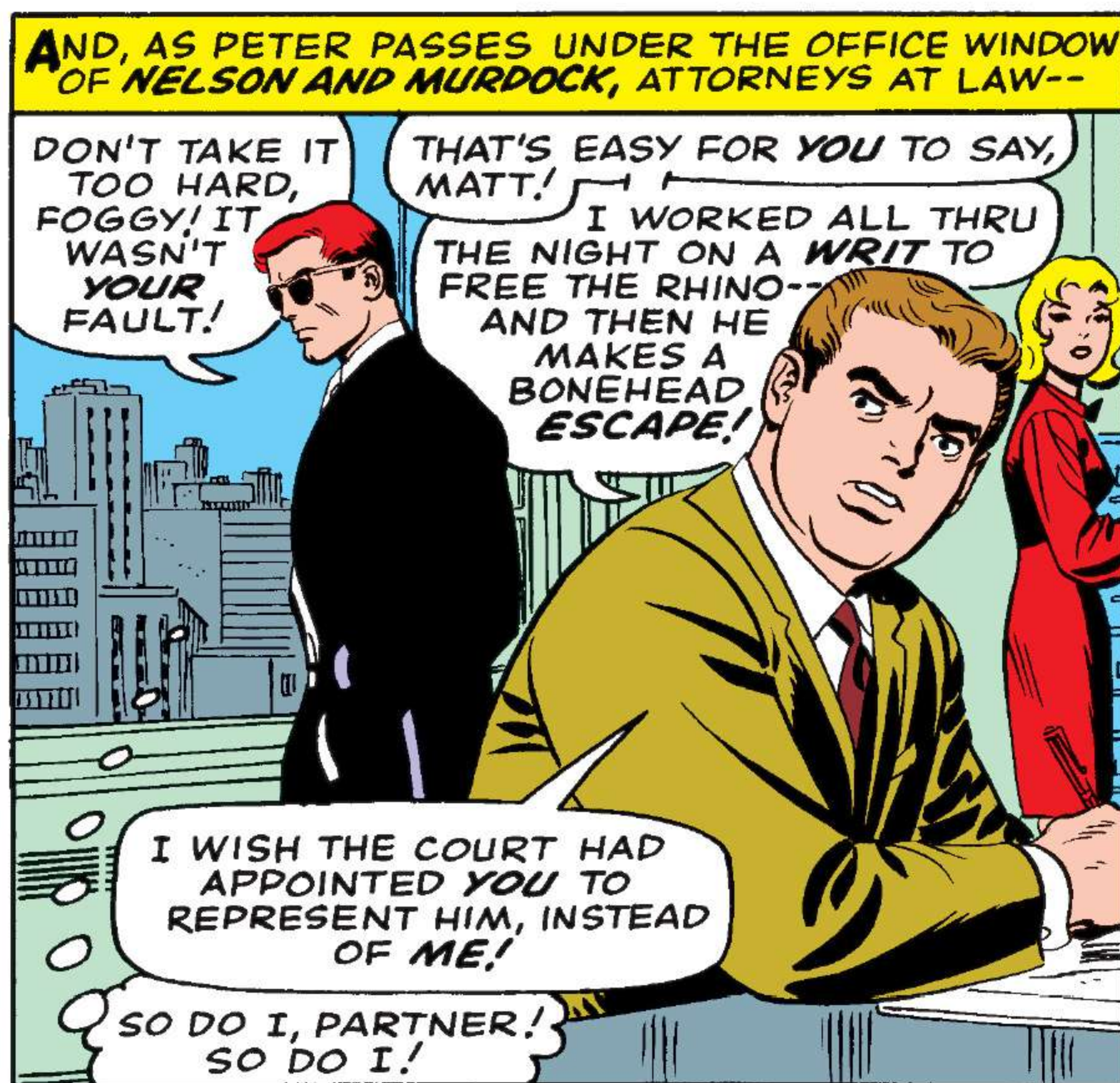
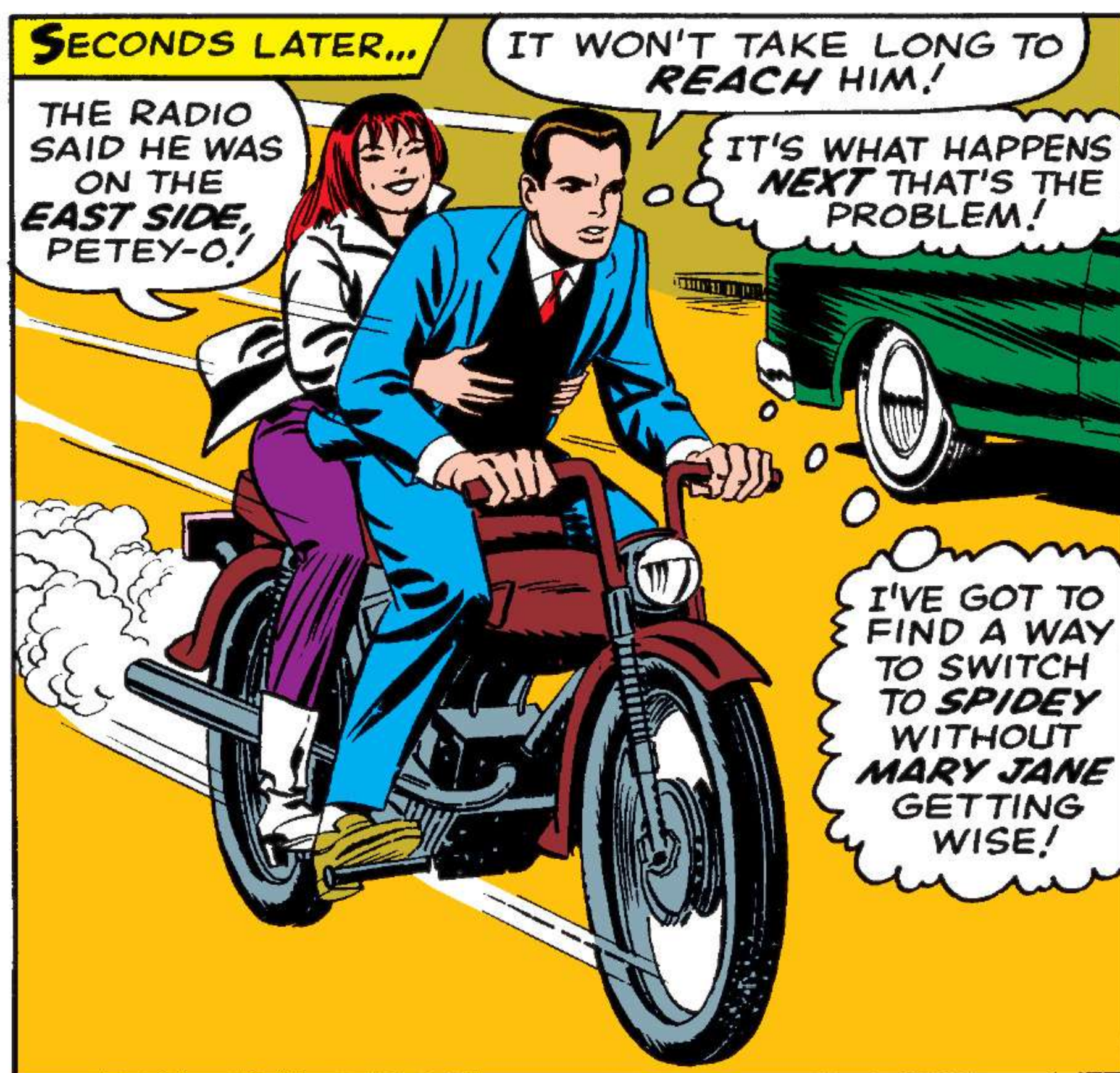
JOHN (RING-A-DING) ROMITA, ARTIST

ARTIE (STOUT-HEARTED) SIMEK, LETTERER

NOW, FASTEN YOUR SEAT BELTS!
WE'RE OFF--!







DON'T GO 'WAY, FRANTIC ONE! ORIGIN TIME IS COMIN' UP--!

IF NOT FOR THAT BLASTED WALL-CRAWLER, I'D HAVE CAPTURED COLONEL JAMESON BY NOW!*

MY PLAN WAS PERFECT --FOOLPROOF--TILL HE BUTTED IN!

*AS PROUDLY PORTRAYED IN OUR LILTIN' 41ST ISH! YOUR FRIENDLY FOOTNOTER--STAN!

BUT, I'LL FINISH SPIDER-MAN OFF! I'VE GOT THE POWER TO DO IT--THE POWER THAT THEY GAVE ME! I STILL REMEMBER HOW IT FIRST STARTED--

I WAS A NOBODY --JUST A HIRED HOOD--A MUSCLE-MAN, DOIN' THE DIRTY JOBS FOR A BUNCH OF PROFESSIONAL SPIES--

REMEMBER--WE OWE ALLEGIANCE TO NO NATION--EXCEPT THE COUNTRY THAT PAYS US THE BEST!

AND YOUR ALLEGIANCE IS ONLY TO US!

SURE--SURE!

MY ASSOCIATES THINK YOU ARE TOO STUPID TO BE TRUSTED--BUT I DISAGREE!

I FEEL YOUR VERY LACK OF INTELLIGENCE WILL PREVENT YOU FROM EVER BETRAYING US!

THE EXPERIMENT! TELL HIM OF THE EXPERIMENT!

AH, YES! WE SHALL GIVE YOU A CHANCE TO BECOME IMPORTANT--TO BE FAMOUS!

I DON'T CARE WHAT I DO--SO LONG AS I GET PAID!

EXCELLENT! THAT IS WHY YOU ARE SO USEFUL TO US!

"THE EXPERIMENT TOOK MONTHS! MONTHS OF INJECTIONS--TREATMENTS--USING ME AS A GUINEA PIG, UNTIL--FINALLY--"

NOW FOR THE MOST CRUCIAL PART! YOU MUST LIE MOTIONLESS--DO NOT MOVE A MUSCLE!

WE ARE ABOUT TO APPLY MY GREATEST INVENTION--

A FORM OF MOLECULAR ADHESIVE, WHICH WILL BECOME AS MUCH A PART OF YOU AS A SECOND SKIN!

THERE! IT IS DONE! OUR TREATMENTS HAVE GIVEN YOU THE STRENGTH OF A RHINOCEROS!

AND, THE MOLECULAR ADHESIVE COVERING YOU WILL GIVE YOU A PROTECTIVE SKIN TOUGHER THAN A RHINO'S OWN!

YOU ARE POSSIBLY THE STRONGEST MAN ALIVE--THANKS TO US! YOU MUST OBEY OUR EVERY COMMAND!

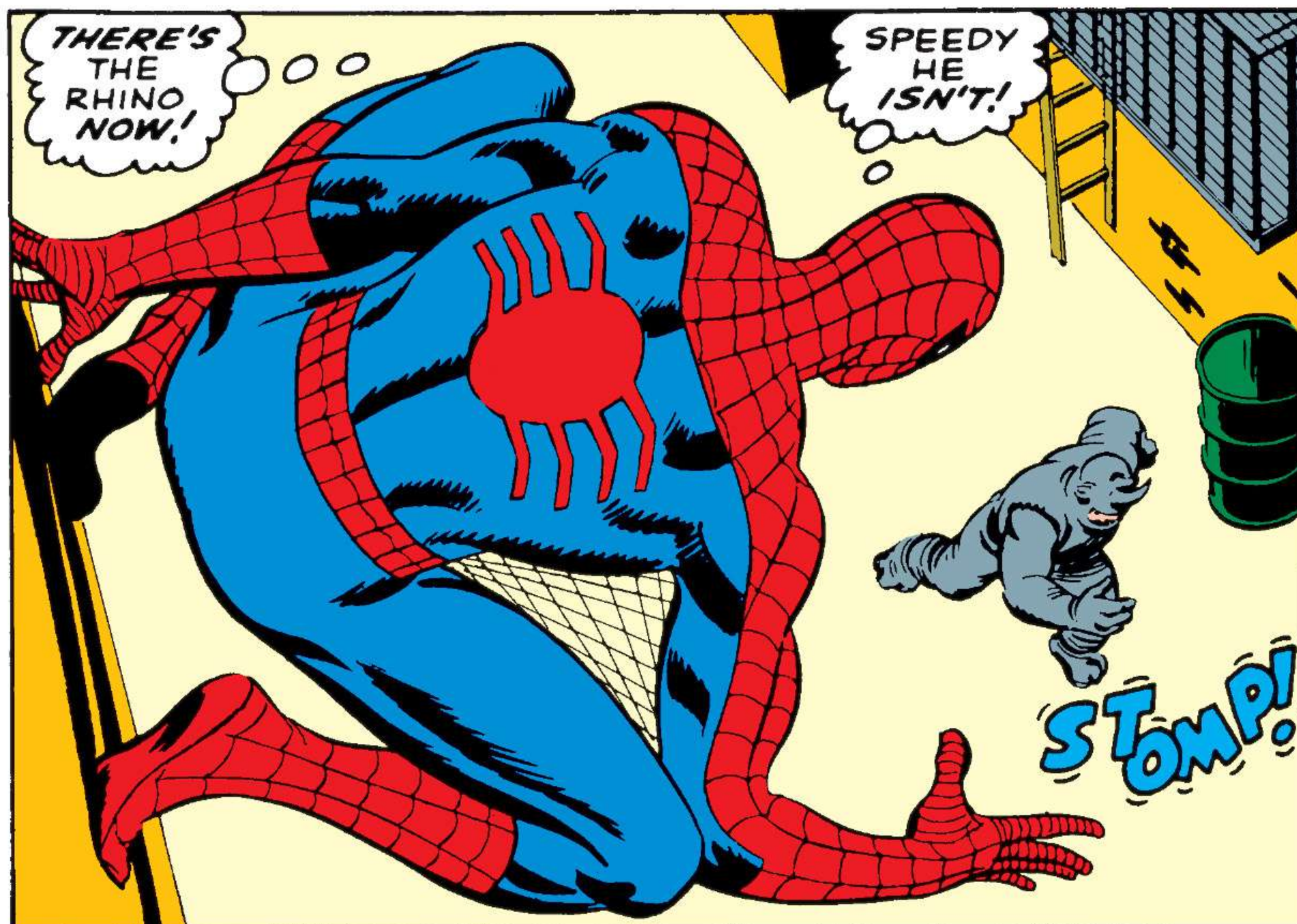
YOU WILL BE THE PERFECT ASSASSIN! BRAINLESS--OBEDIENT--INVINCIBLE!

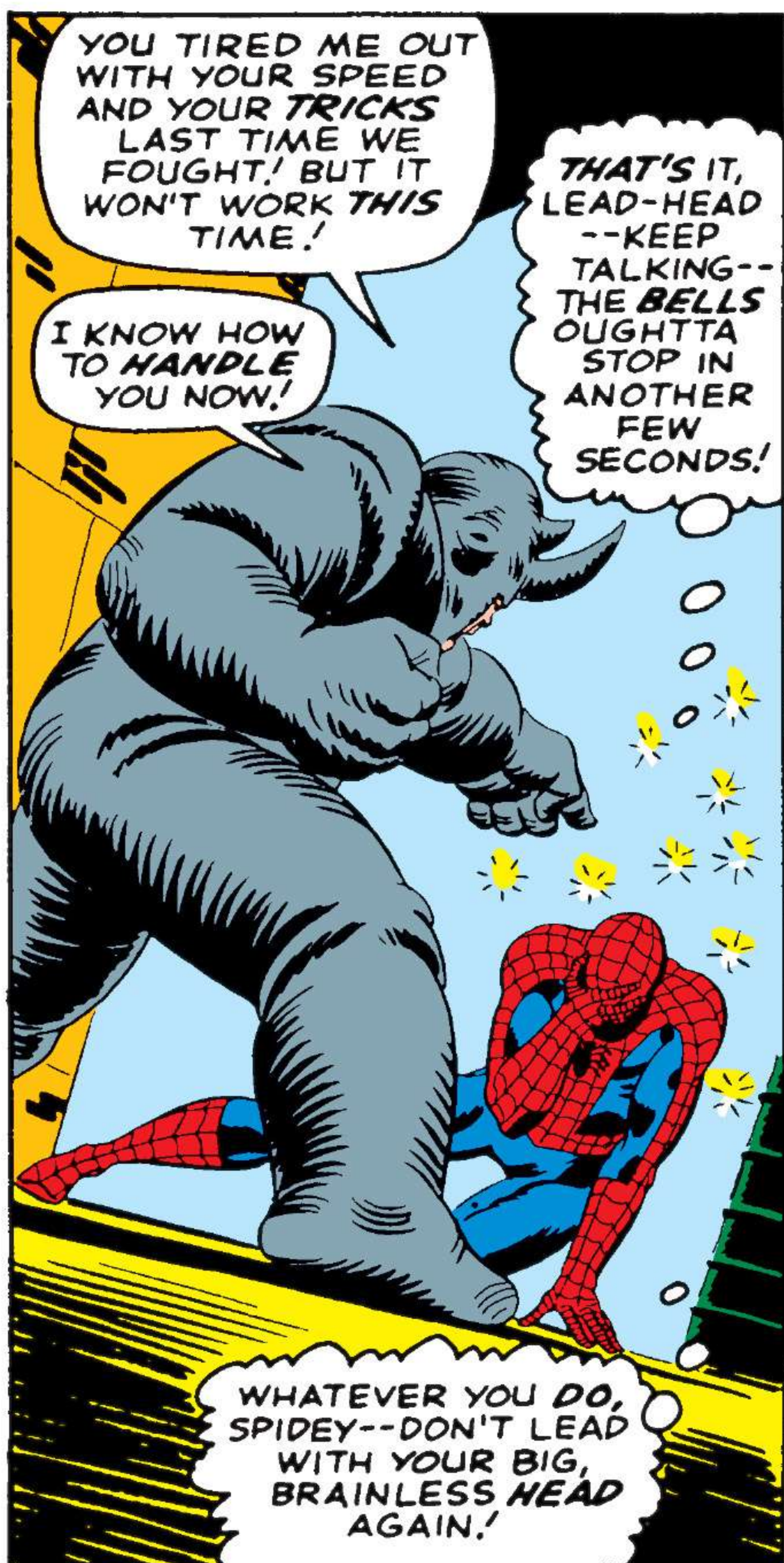
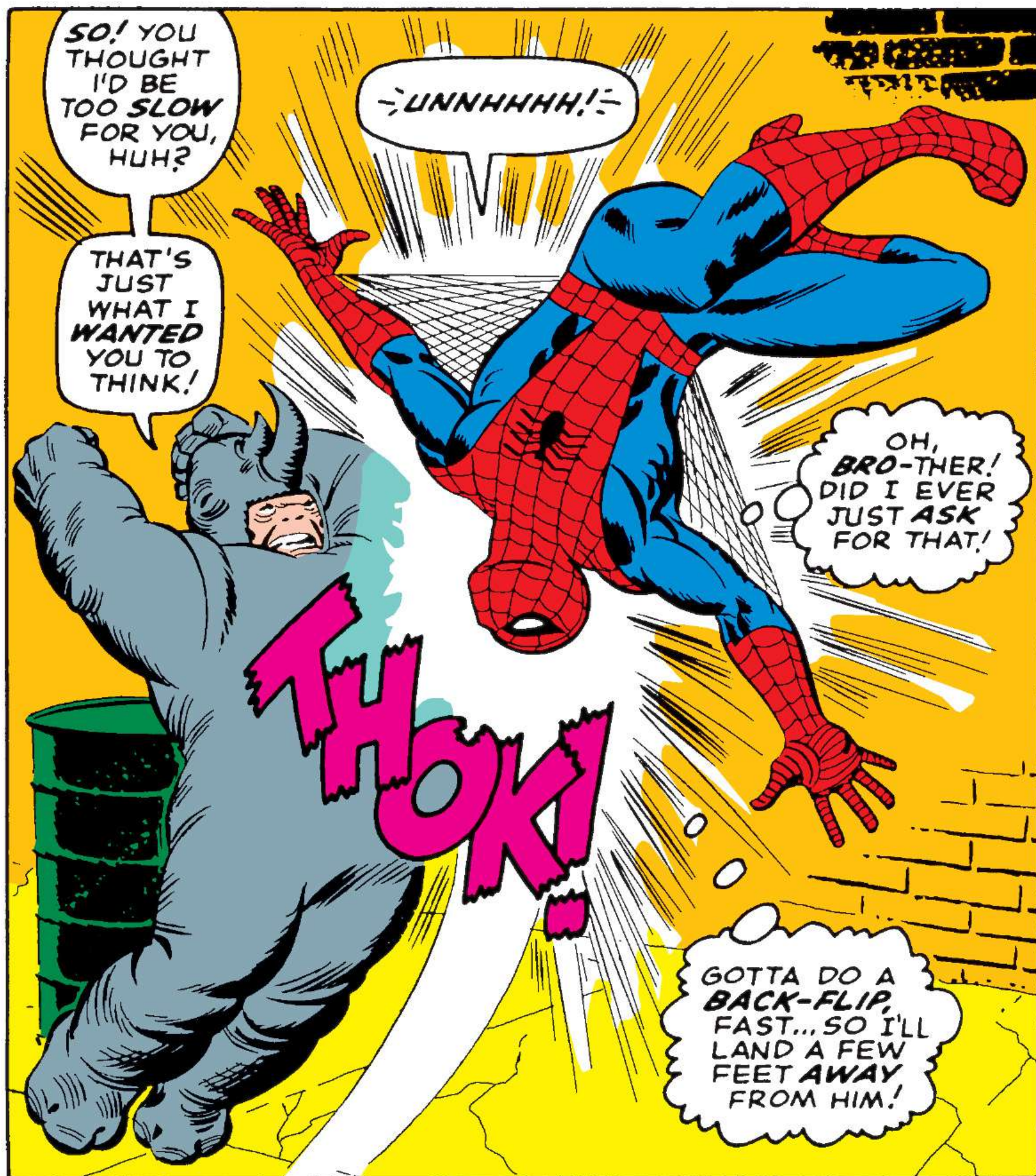
"BUT, THEY HAD MADE ONE FATAL MISTAKE! WHEN MY POWER INCREASED--MY INTELLIGENCE DID, ALSO!"

WHY SHOULD I SERVE YOU?

BAM!

I'M TOO STRONG TO TAKE ORDERS FROM ANY MAN!







UH OH--THAT'S NOT SO GOOD!

HE'S GETTING RIGHT UP AGAIN! IF THERE'S ANY WAY TO *HURT* HIM, IT'S NOT BY WHUMPIN' HIS HEAD!--THAT'S FOR SURE!



IT DOESN'T MATTER *HOW* MANY TIMES I MISS YOU--!

I'LL JUST HAVE TO CONNECT *ONCE* --AND THAT'LL BE THE END OF SPIDER-MAN!



I CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY EVERYONE WANTS TO *END* MY CAPRICIOUS CAREER!

I ALWAYS THOUGHT OF MYSELF AS THE MOST *LOVEABLE* LITTLE HERO IN TOWN!

ANYWAY, HERE'S SOMETHING TO KEEP YOU OUT OF *DRAFTS* IF IT GETS *CHILLY*!



TAUNT ME ALL YOU *WANT* TO! YOUR *LUCK* WILL RUN OUT SOONER OR LATER!

ARE YOU *KIDDIN'*?

I'M THE *ORIGINAL* HARD-*LUCK* HARRY--

THEY MUST HAVE BROKEN EVERY *MIRROR* IN TOWN WHEN I WAS BORN!



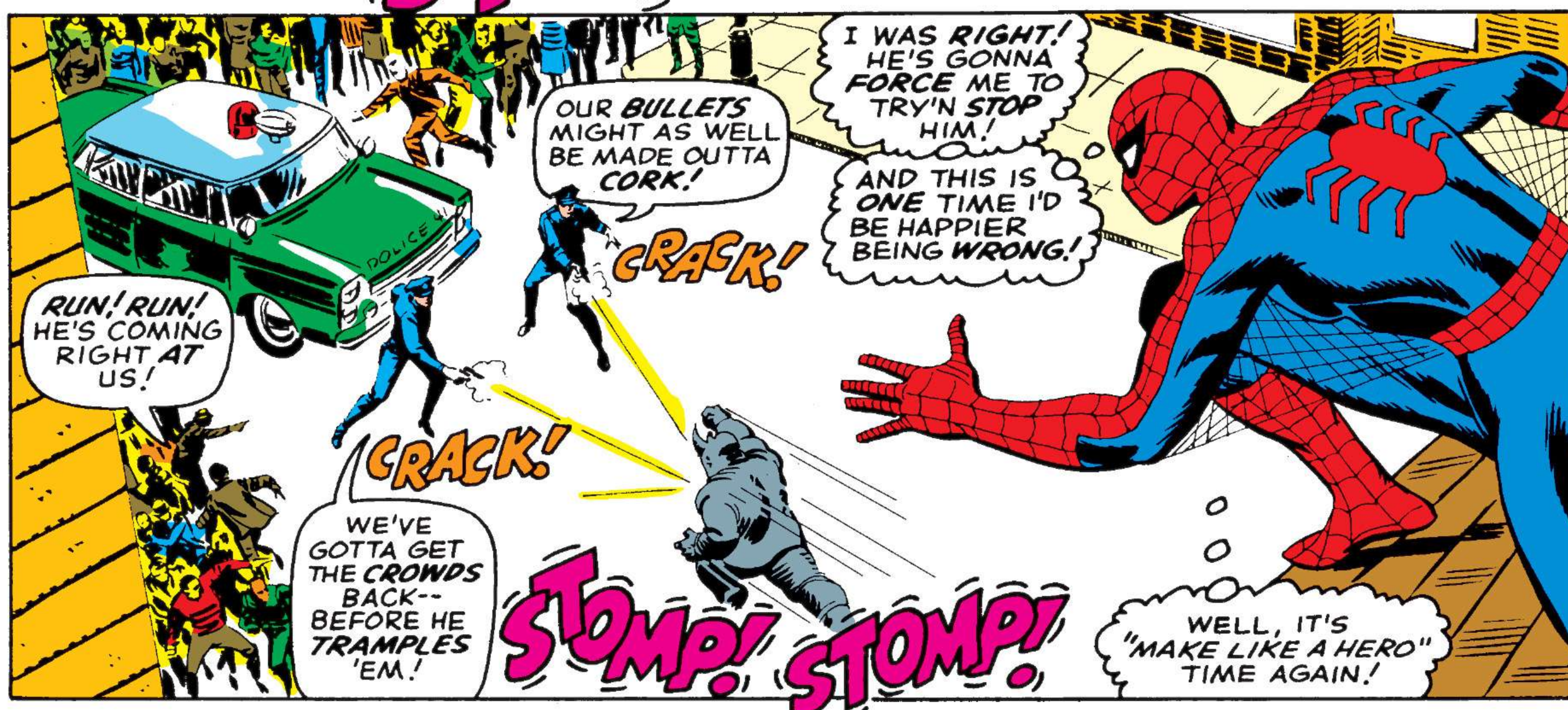
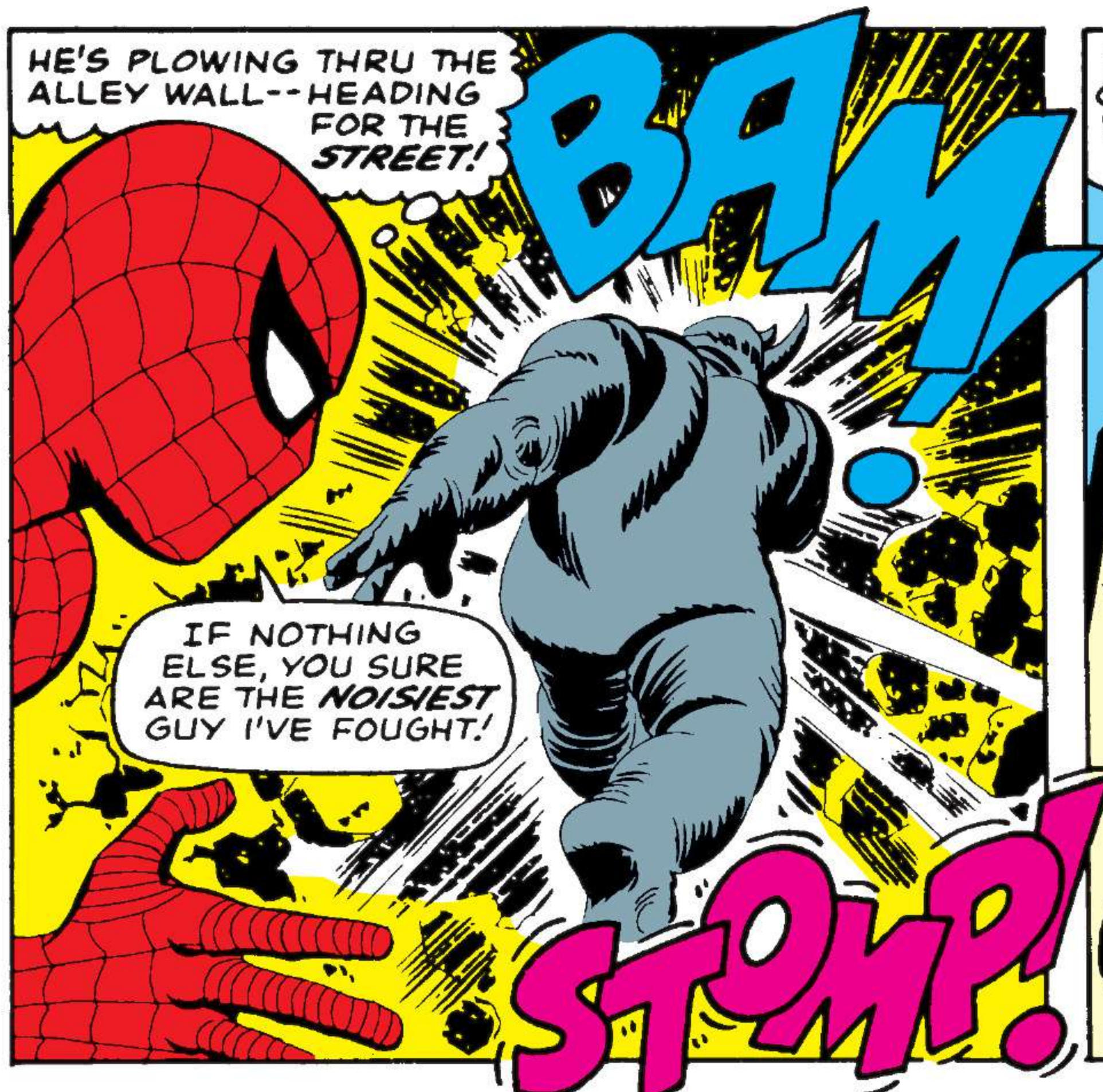
I WON'T PLAY IT *YOUR* WAY ANY LONGER!

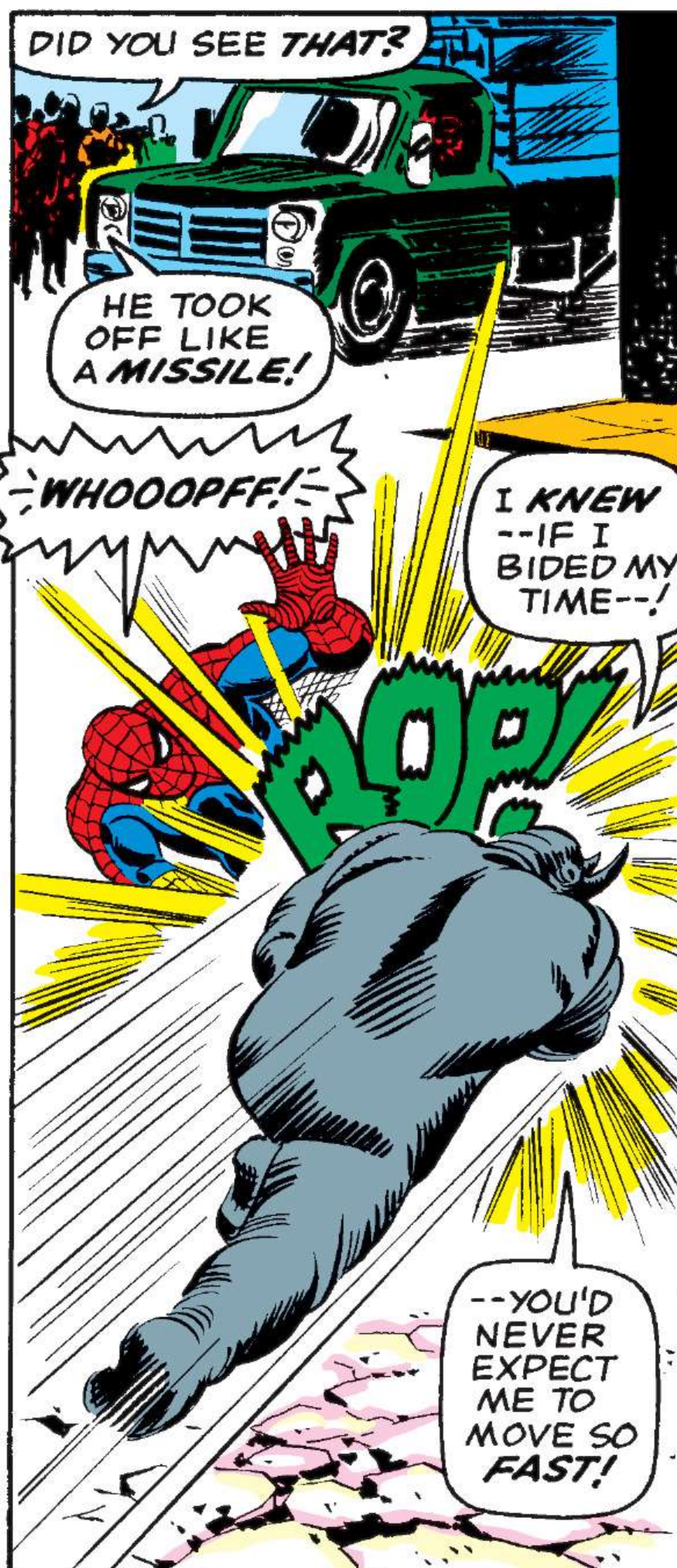
INSTEAD OF *VAINLY* ATTACKING YOU, I'LL *FORCE* YOU TO COME AFTER ME!

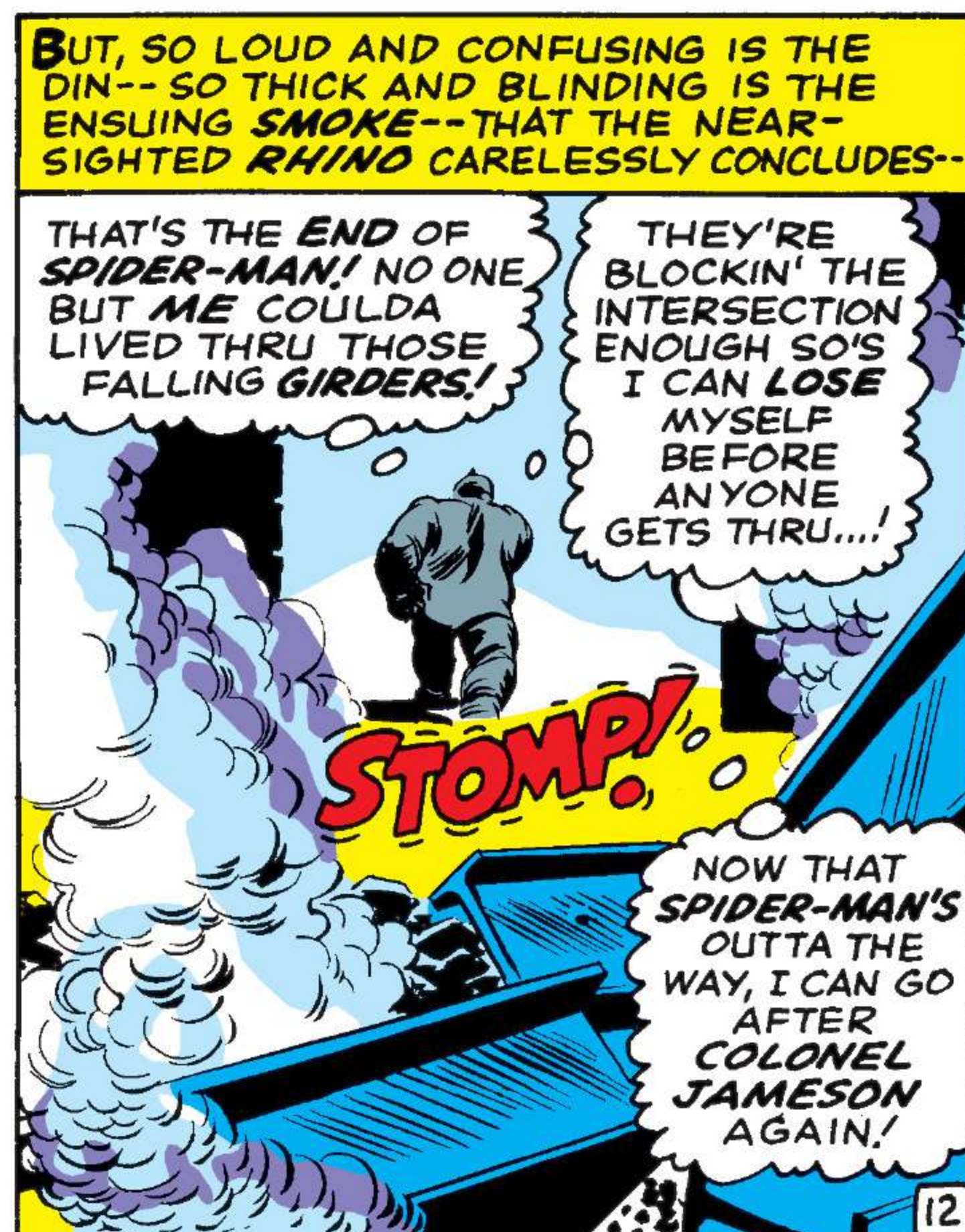
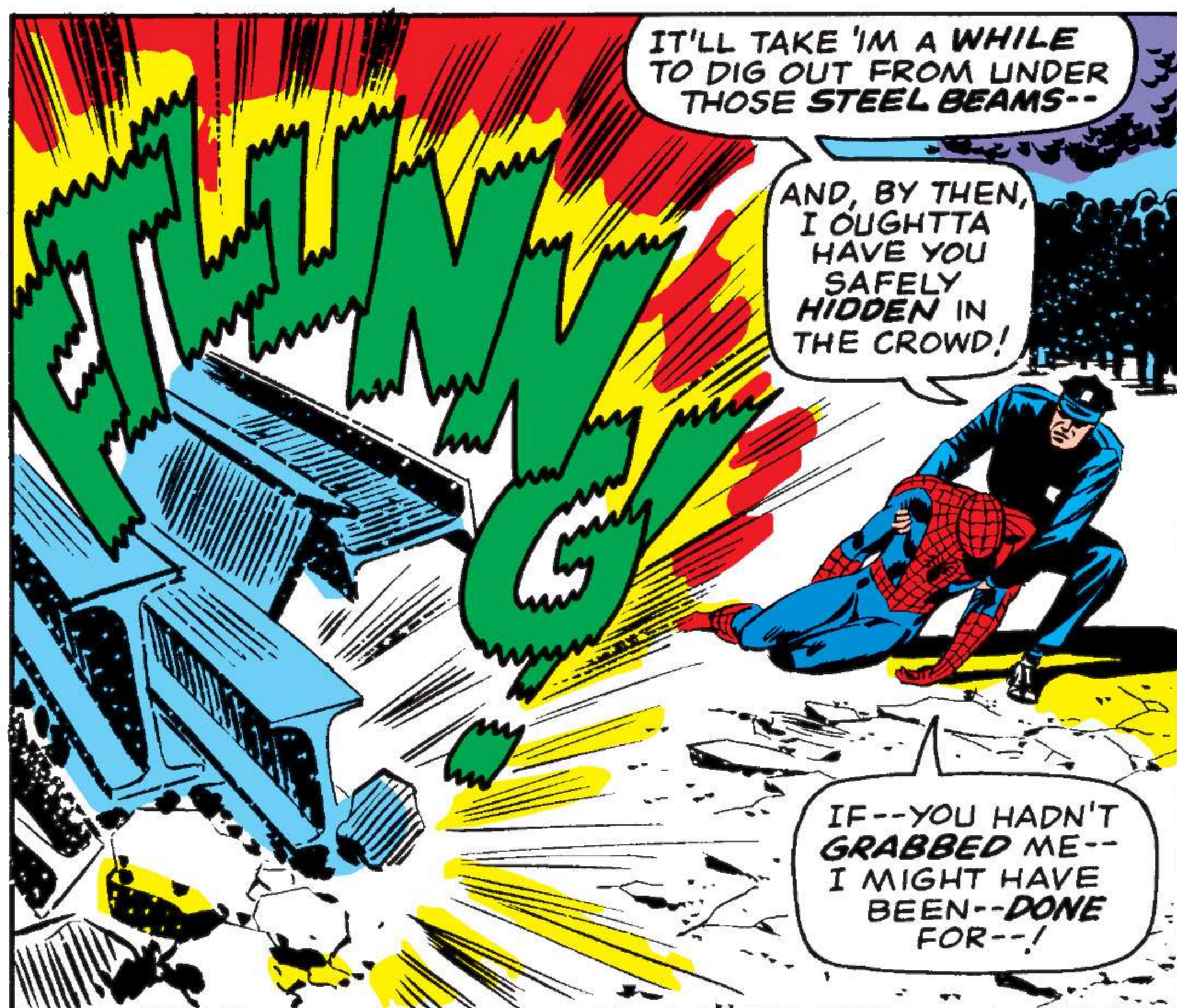
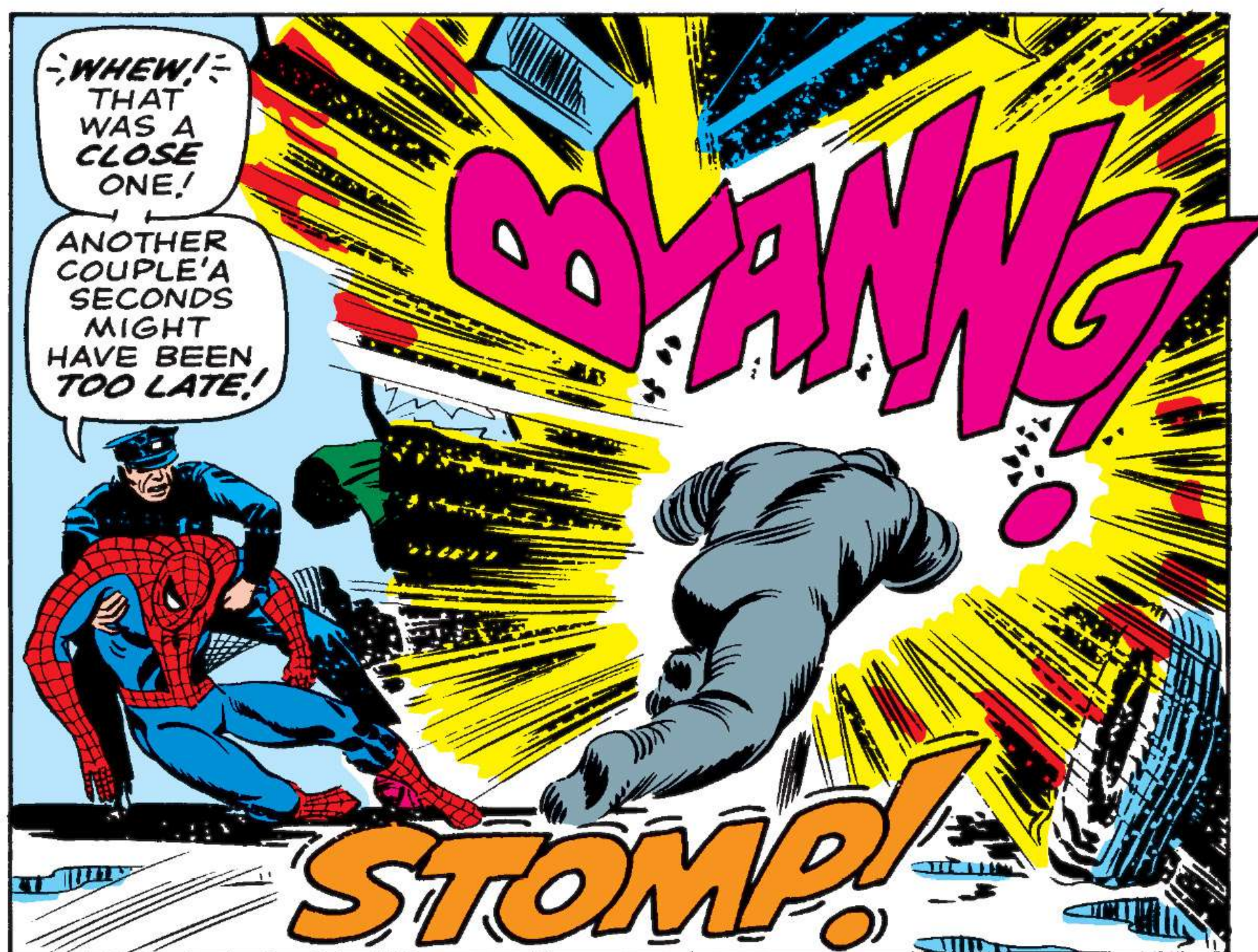
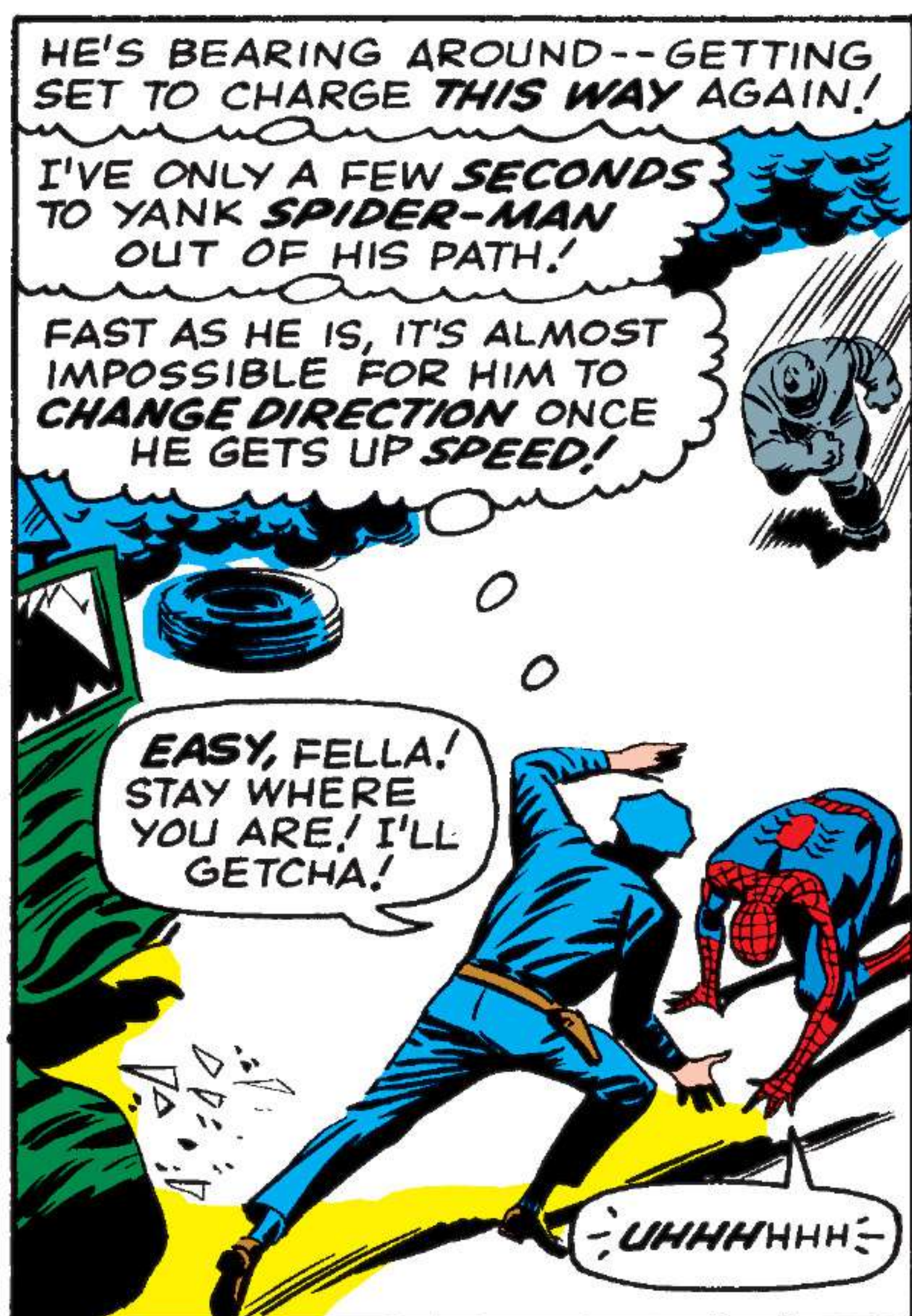
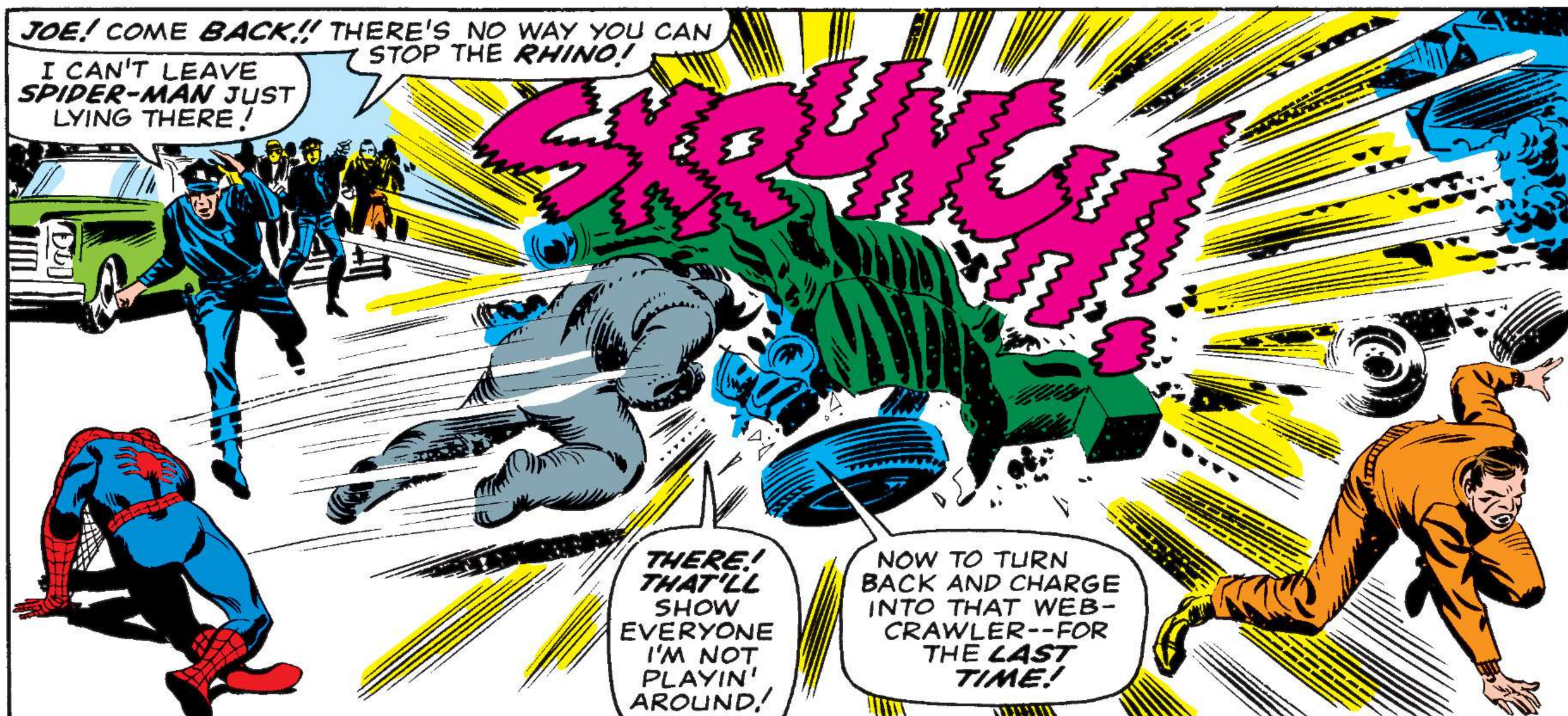
GO NNA PLAY *HARD* TO GET, EH?

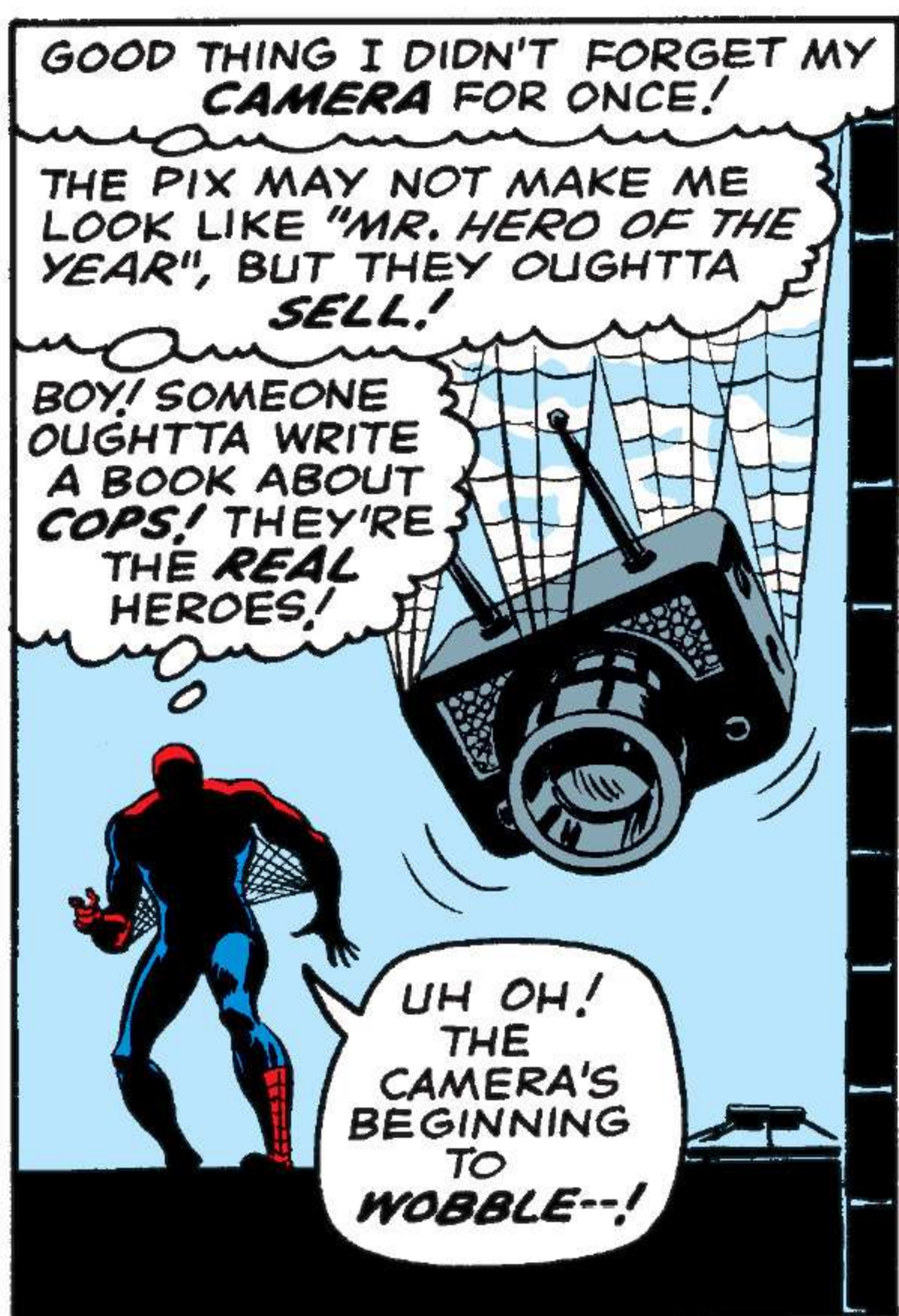
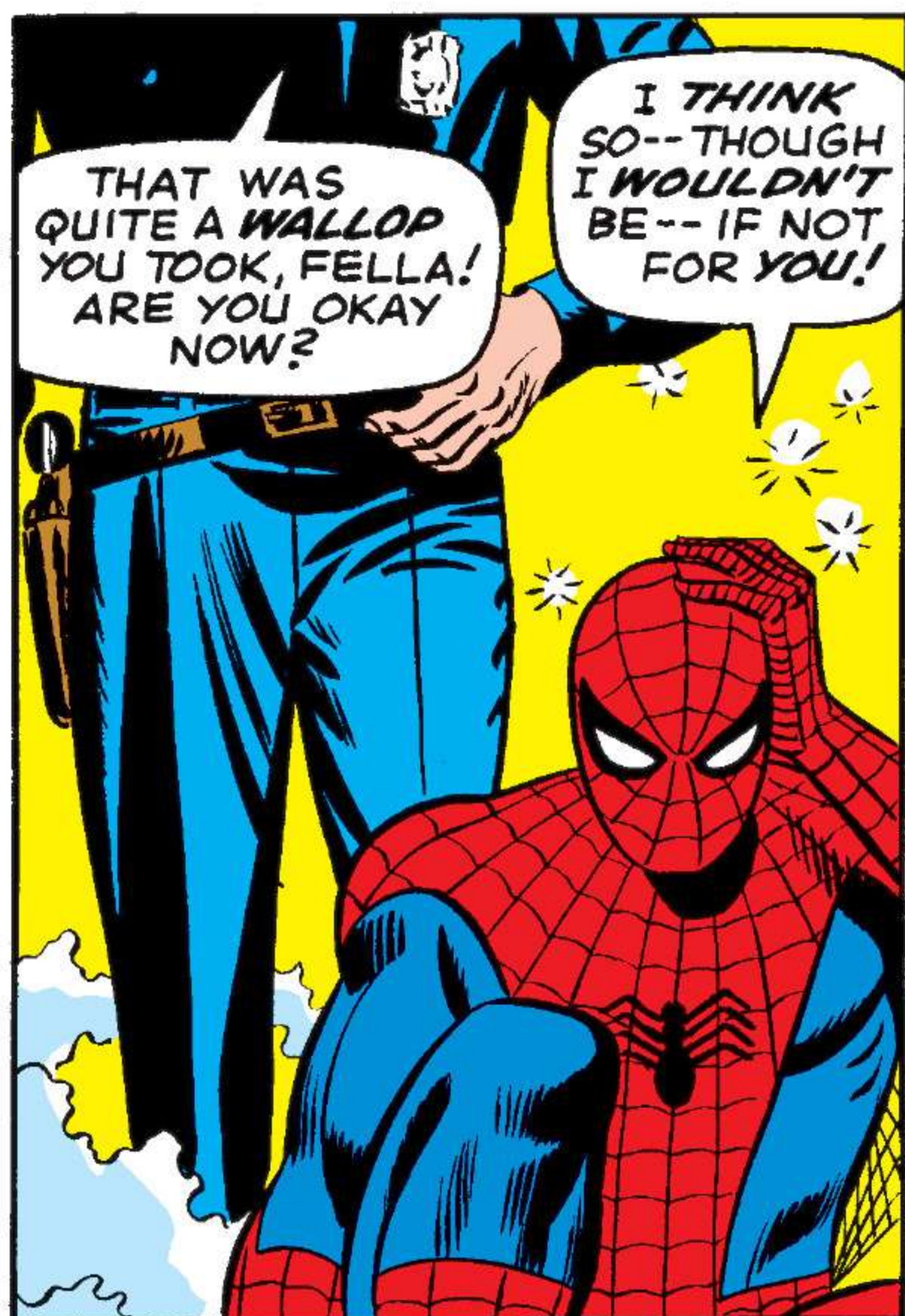
I DON'T LIKE THE *SOUND* OF THAT! WONDER WHAT HE'S UP TO *NOW*?

BTOOM!











HI, PETEY! I GUESS YOU DIDN'T GET THOSE **PHOTOS**--I DIDN'T **SEE** YOU DURING ALL THE EXCITEMENT!
OH, I **GOT** THEM ALL RIGHT, M.J.!

I RAN INTO A **BUILDING** AND SNAPPED THEM FROM A SECOND FLOOR HALL **WINDOW**!

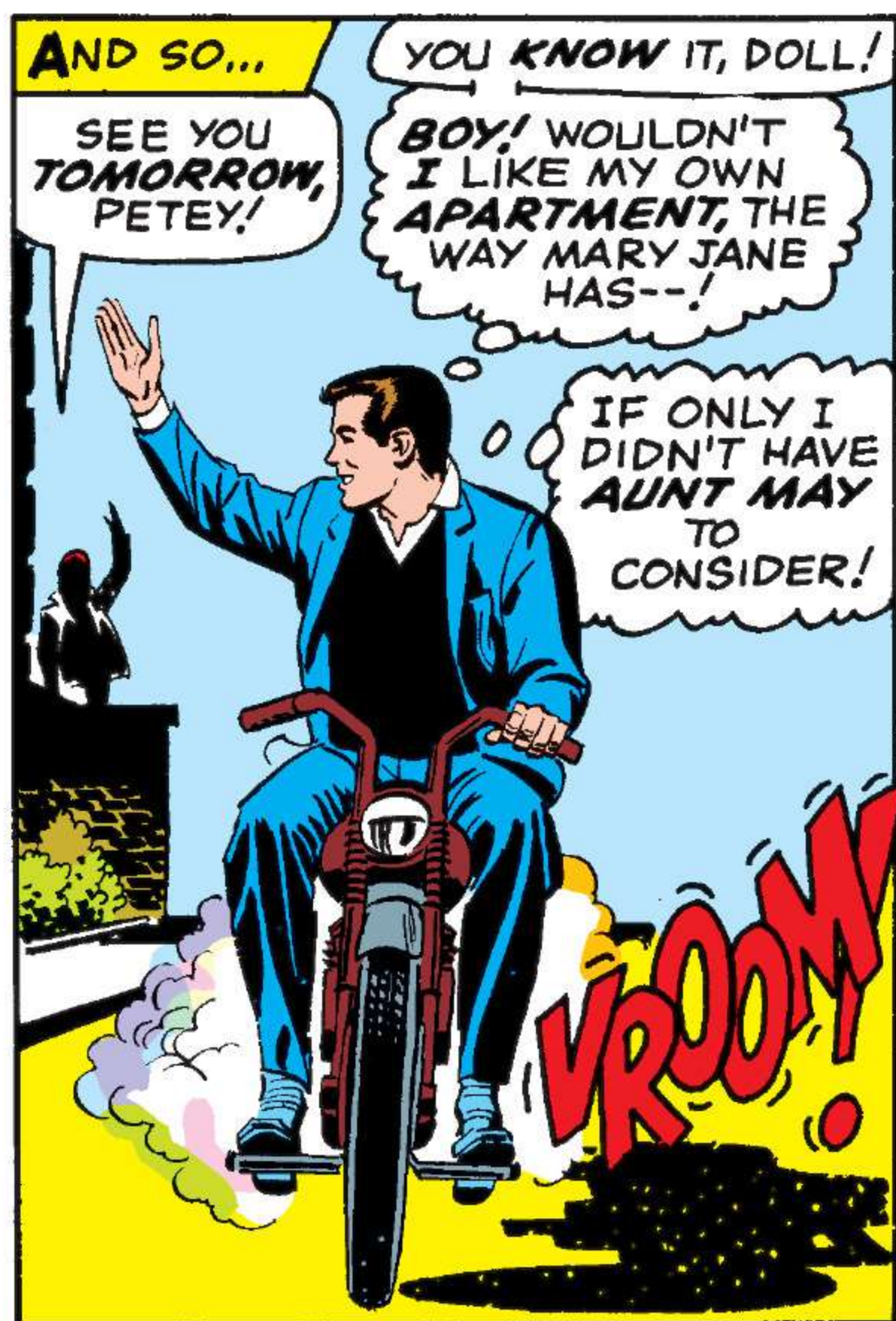
PRETTY **CLEVER**, DAD! BUT, SPEAKING OF **BUILDINGS**, I'D BETTER GET BACK TO **MINE** NOW! SHALL WE **RIDE**, CLYDE?



UH UH! I'LL LEAVE YOU STRANDED HERE **FOREVER**--UNLESS YOU TELL ME YOU'RE **FREE** TOMORROW NIGHT!

I **HAD** PROMISED **ROCK HUDSON**... --BUT I DON'T WANT HIM TO TAKE ME FOR **GRANTED**!

WELL, THAT'S SHOW **BIZ**!



AND SO... YOU **KNOW** IT, DOLL!

SEE YOU **TOMORROW**, PETEY!

BOY! WOULDN'T I LIKE MY OWN **APARTMENT**, THE WAY MARY JANE HAS--!

IF ONLY I DIDN'T HAVE **AUNT MAY** TO CONSIDER!

VROOM!



A SHORT TIME LATER--AT THE **BUGLE**--

I'LL HAVE THE STORY FOR YOU IN **NO** TIME, J.J.! I SAW THE **ENTIRE** THING!

EVEN **WITHOUT** ANY **PHOTOS**, IT'LL BE A GREAT **YARN**!

WHO SAYS **WITHOUT** ANY **PHOTOS**?

CLICK CLACK

WOULDA BELIEVE--A WHOLE **FISTFUL**?



PARKER! YOU FINALLY HIT THE **JACKPOT**!!

HEY! WHAT'S **THIS**? SPIDER-MAN BEING **SAVED**--BY AN ORDINARY COP ON THE **BEAT**!

IT'S **BEAUTIFUL**! IT PROVES THAT **WEB-SLINGIN'** WEASEL ISN'T **HALF** AS GOOD AS HE'S **CRACKED UP** TO BE!

YOU'RE GETTIN' A **BONUS** FOR THIS, KID!

GREAT! I CAN **USE** THE **MONEY**!

MONEY! WHO SAID **MONEY**?



FOSWELL! GET 'IM HIS OWN KEY TO THE **WASHROOM**!

HELLO! THIS IS **JAMESON**! RIP OUT THE FRONT PAGE! **RE-SET** FOR MORE **PHOTOS**! WE'RE PRINTING AN **EXTRA EDITION**!

PUT HIS **INITIALS** ON IT!



NOW CALL THE **HOSPITAL** IN **WESTCHESTER** THAT MY **SON'S** BEEN TRANSFERRED TO FOR **OBSERVATION**!

YEAH! OF **COURSE** I'LL WAIT!

PICK UP YOUR **CHECK** ON THE WAY **OUT**, PARKER!

SO--THE **COLONEL'S** BEEN TRANSFERRED TO A **WESTCHESTER** **HOSPITAL**!

AND THE **RHINO** IS STILL ON THE **LOOSE**!



YES, MR. **JAMESON**, YOUR SON IS DOING **FINE**!

OUR TESTS HAVE RE-VEALED **ABSOLUTELY NO AFTER-EFFECTS** FROM THE STRANGE **SPORES** HE PICKED UP ON HIS **SPACE WALK**!

HE'LL PROBABLY BE BACK ON **ACTIVE DUTY** WITHIN A **WEEK**!

DON'T WORRY, SIR--THE **GOVERNMENT** IS PAYING HIS **MEDICAL EXPENSES**!

YES! OF **COURSE** I'M **SURE**!

GOOD OL' **DAD**! HE'S AS **TIGHT-FISTED** AS EVER!

HE MAKES **JACK BENNY** SEEM LIKE A **COMPULSIVE SPENDER**!



I DON'T **LIKE** IT! I **STILL** THINK **COLONEL JAMESON** MAY BE IN **DANGER**!

WHAT IF THE **RHINO** IS STILL **AFTER** HIM--AND EVERYONE'S **GUARD** IS **DOWN**?

I'VE GOTTA CHANGE TO **SPIDEY** AGAIN--AND PAY A LITTLE **VISIT**!

I JUST HOPE I'LL BE IN **TIME**!

VROOM!

MINUTES LATER, AT THE LAB OF FAMOUS RESEARCH SCIENTIST DR. CURTIS CONNORS (WHOM OLD-TIME SPIDOPHILES ALSO KNOW AS... THE LIZARD...)

I HATE TO BOTHER YOU, DOC-- BUT I CAN SURE USE SOME HELP!

SPIDER-MAN! HOW CAN SOMEONE TO WHOM I OWE MY LIFE BE A BOTHER?



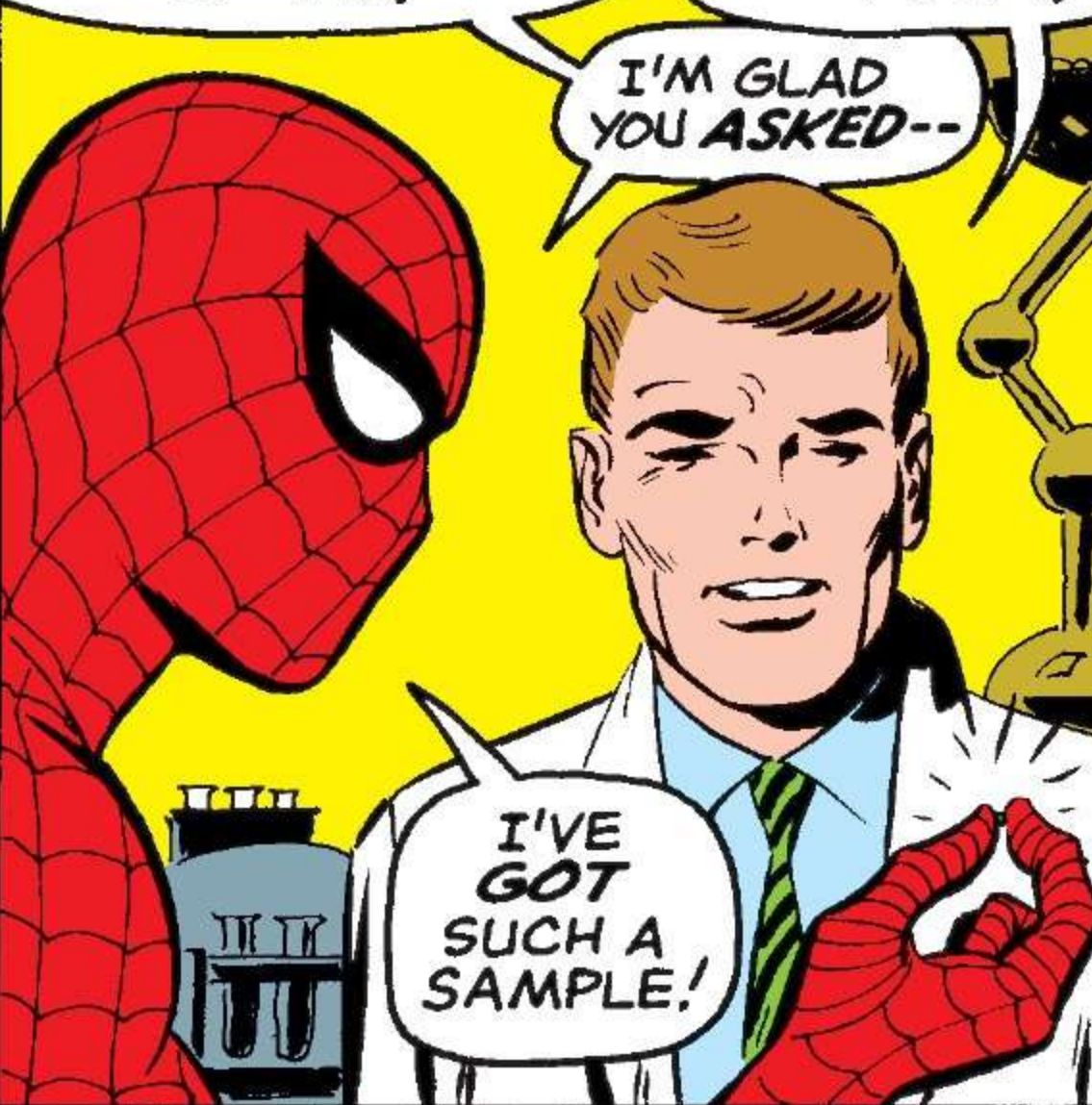
I'VE HEARD ABOUT YOUR BATTLE WITH THE RHINO ON THE RADIO! TOO BAD HE GOT AWAY!

THAT'S WHY I'M HERE, DOC! THERE'S NO WAY TO STOP HIM WHILE HE'S PROTECTED BY THAT RHINO HIDE OF HIS!

IF ONLY I HAD A SAMPLE-- FOR ANALYSIS!

I'M GLAD YOU ASKED--

I'VE GOT SUCH A SAMPLE!



THEN WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR? I'LL START ANALYZING IT IMMEDIATELY!

WHILE YOU SET UP YOUR APPARATUS, I HAVE A PRIVATE PHONE CALL TO MAKE--!

YOU CAN USE THE PHONE RIGHT IN THE NEXT ROOM!

IT'LL JUST TAKE A MINUTE!



I JUST REMEMBERED-- I DON'T WANT AUNT MAY WORRYING ABOUT WHERE I AM!

THIS IS PETER! DON'T WAIT UP FOR ME-- I HAVE TO-- EH-- DO SOME STUDYING AT A FRIEND'S HOUSE!

SURE, I'M OKAY! SEE YOU IN THE MORNING, AUNT MAY!

WOULDN'T HAVE TO DO THIS IF I HAD MY OWN PAD!

IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR BOTH OF US!



MINUTES LATER--

IT'S ALWAYS AMAZED ME HOW A MASKED CRIME-FIGHTER LIKE YOURSELF CAN ALSO BE SUCH A CAPABLE SCIENTIFIC LAB MAN!

SCIENCE WAS ALWAYS MY FIRST LOVE, DOC!

AND, IF EVER THERE'S A SLUMP IN SUPER-HEROING, I'LL HAVE SOMETHING TO FALL BACK ON!



AFTER ALL, I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH FUTURE THERE IS IN SPENDING YOUR LIFE UNDER A SPIDER-MAN MASK!

WHAT'S WRONG, DOC? YOU'RE NOT WITH IT!

I WAS JUST THINKING-- PERHAPS THE LIZARD COULD DEFEAT THE RHINO!

TOO DANGEROUS! YOU ALMOST REMAINED THE LIZARD LAST TIME! I CAN'T LET YOU RISK IT!



THEN IT'S BACK TO THE TEST-TUBES!

FINALLY...

LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE DONE IT, DOC!

THIS IS WHAT I WAS AFTER!

BUT, IT'S STILL UNTESTED! WE'LL HAVE TO EXPERIMENT WITH IT FIRST!

THERE ISN'T TIME! IF I'M TOO LATE, A MAN MAY DIE!



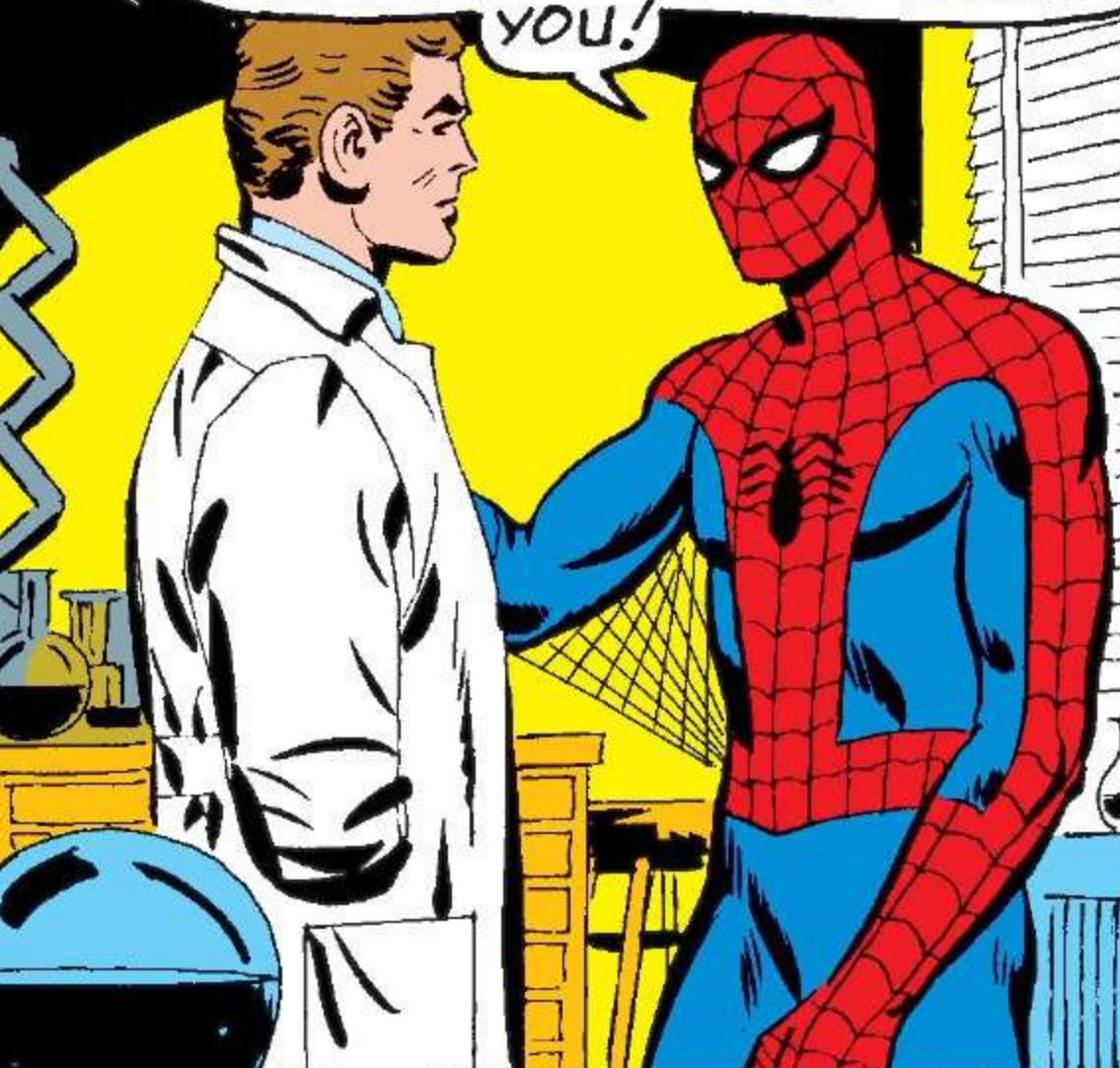
BUT--DO YOU REALIZE THE DANGER--?

IF I EVER LET DANGER STOP ME, YOUR FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD SPIDER-MAN WOULD BE OUT OF BUSINESS BY NOW!

ARE YOU SURE YOU DON'T WANT ME TO GO WITH YOU?

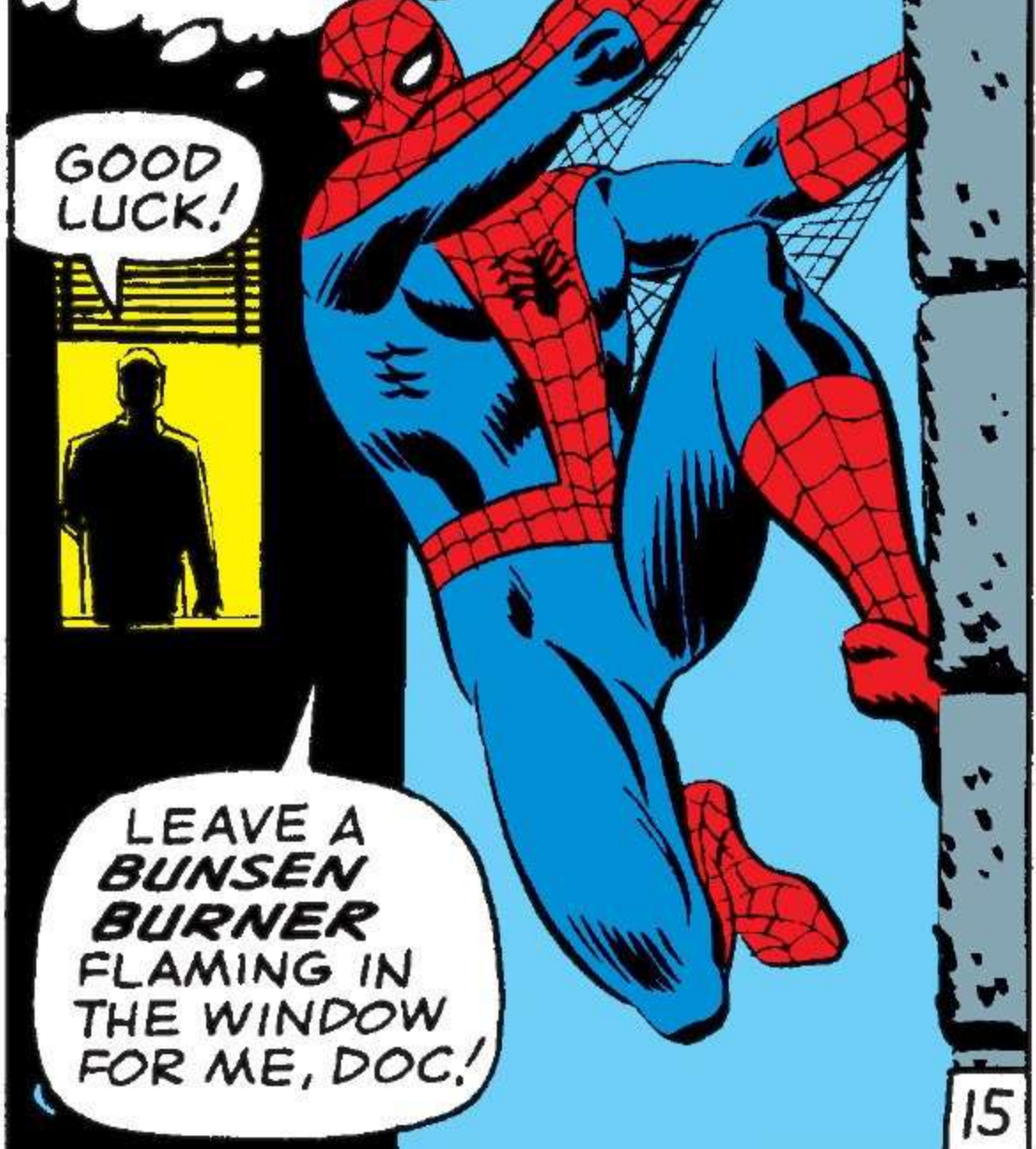
YOU'VE A WIFE AND A SON, DOC! WHY RISK IT?

BESIDES, YOU'RE ONE OF THE ONLY FRIENDS SPIDEY HAS! I CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE YOU!



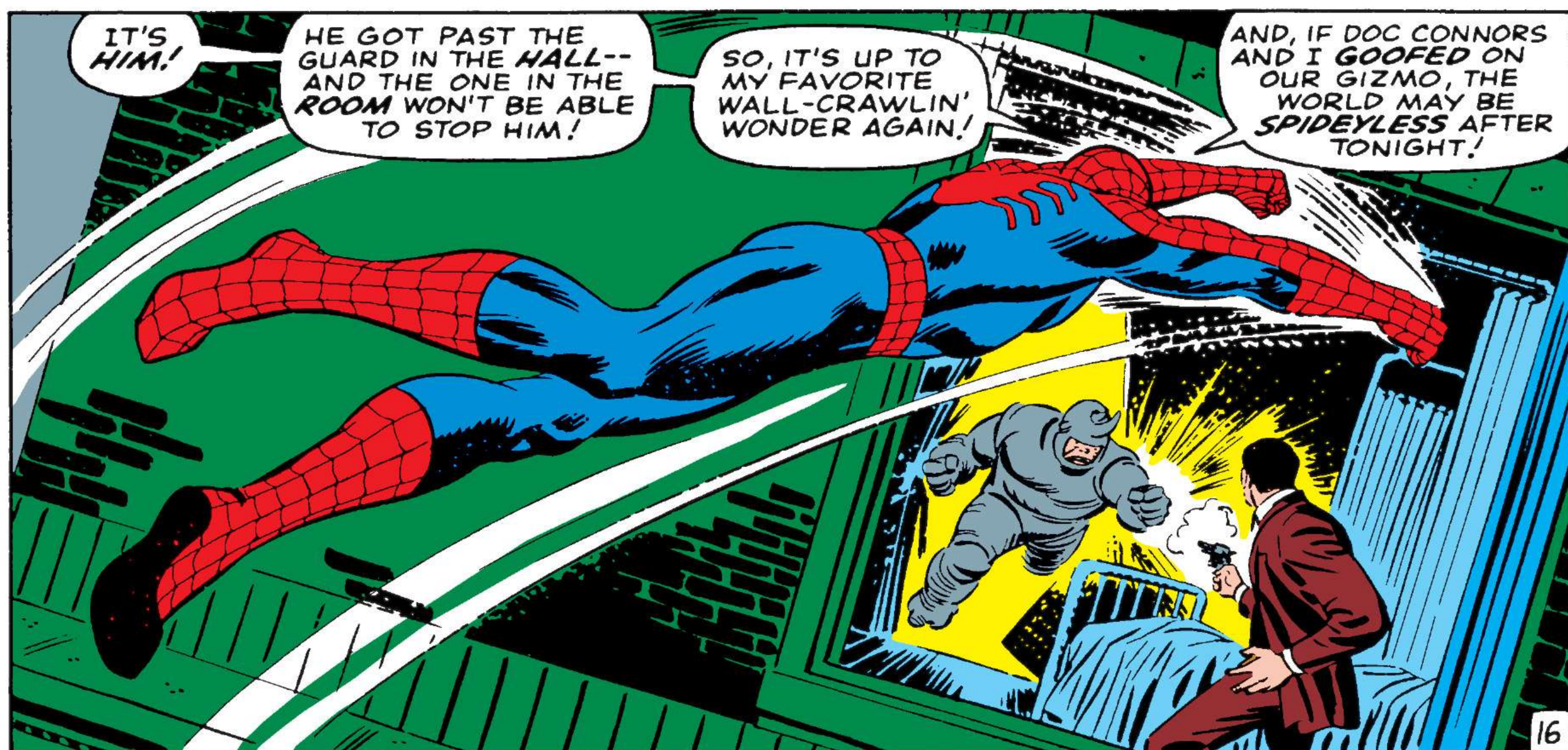
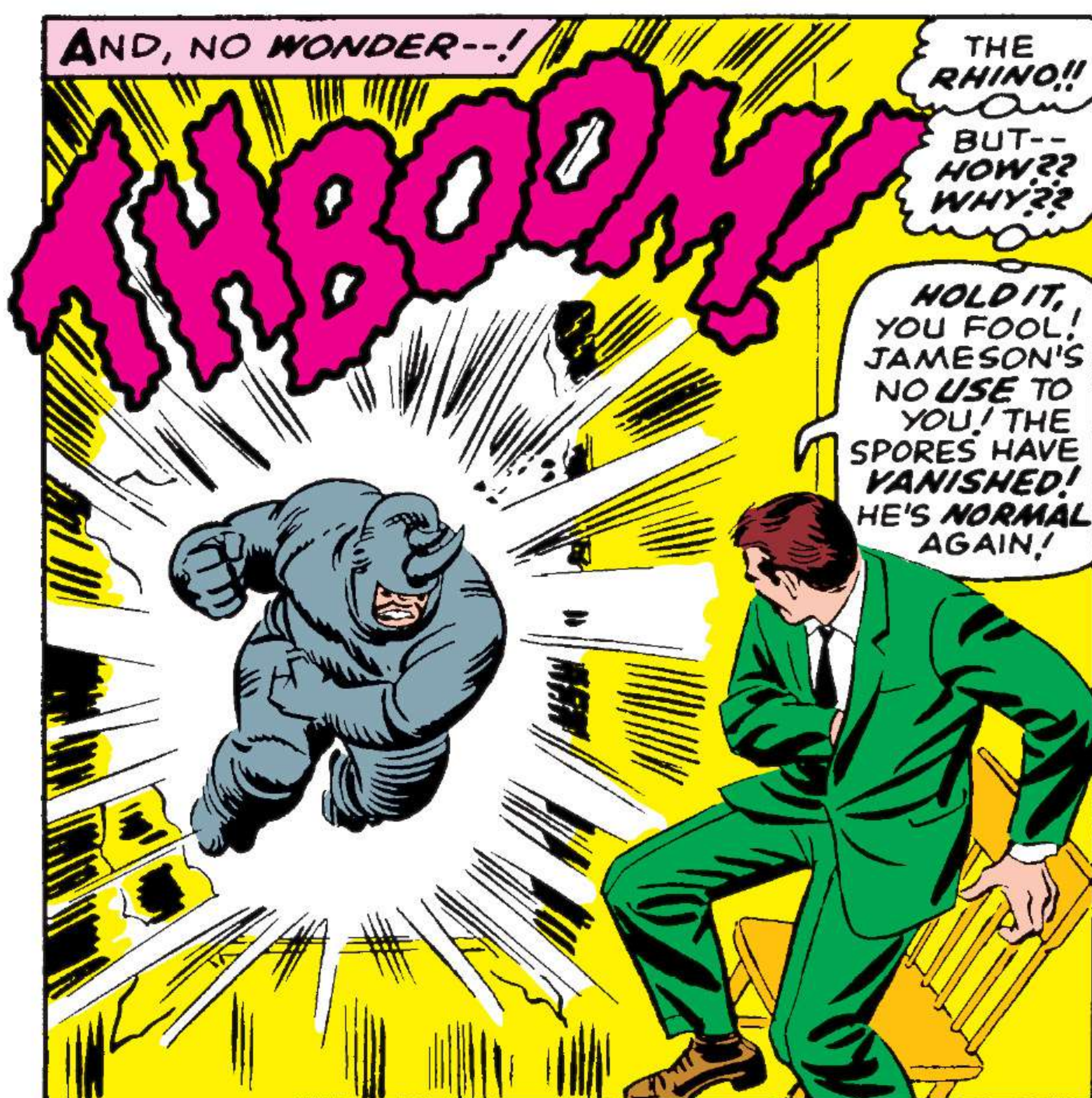
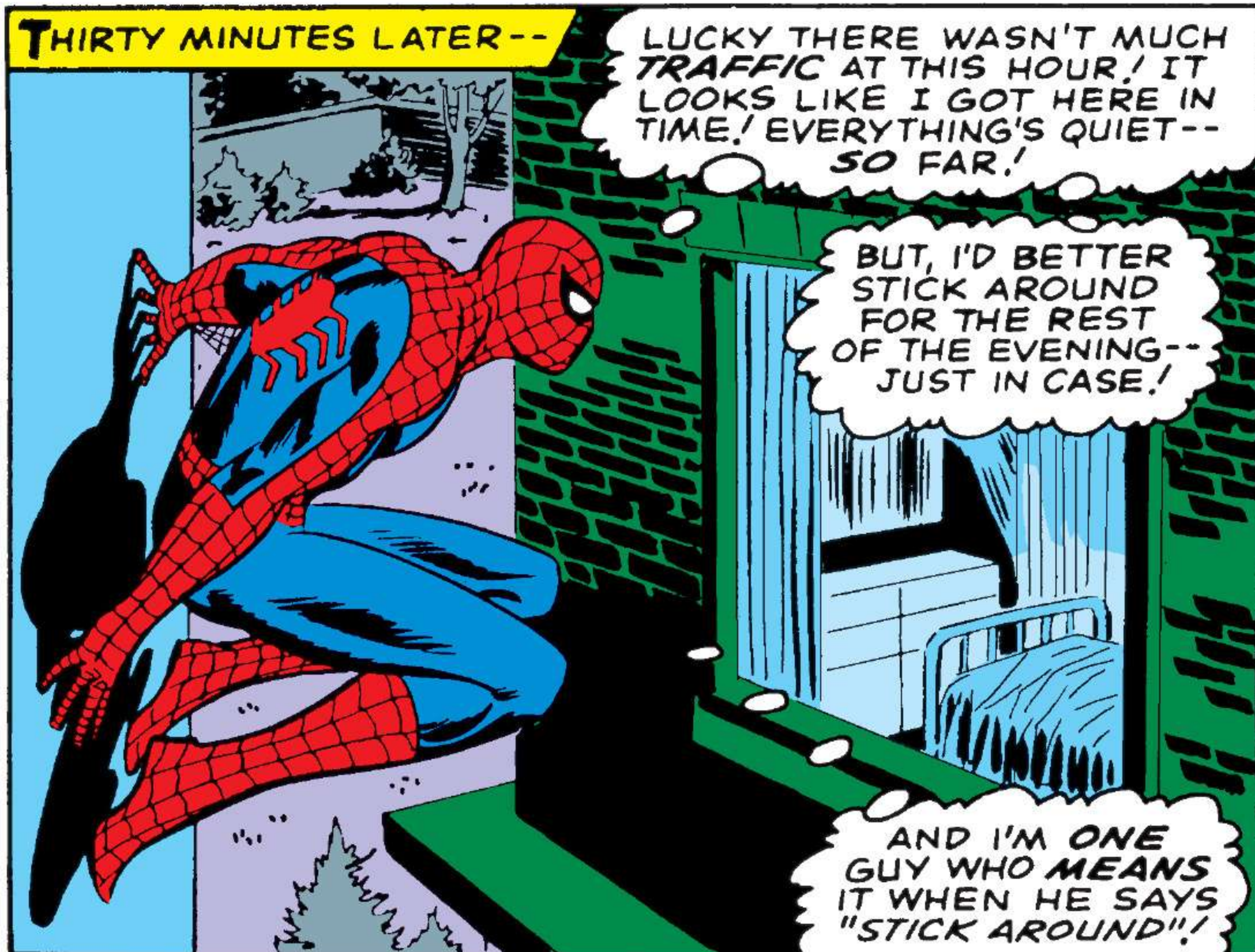
HE STILL DOESN'T REALIZE THAT WHEN HE TURNED INTO THE LIZARD, HE WAS ONE OF THE DEADLIEST FOES I EVER FOUGHT!

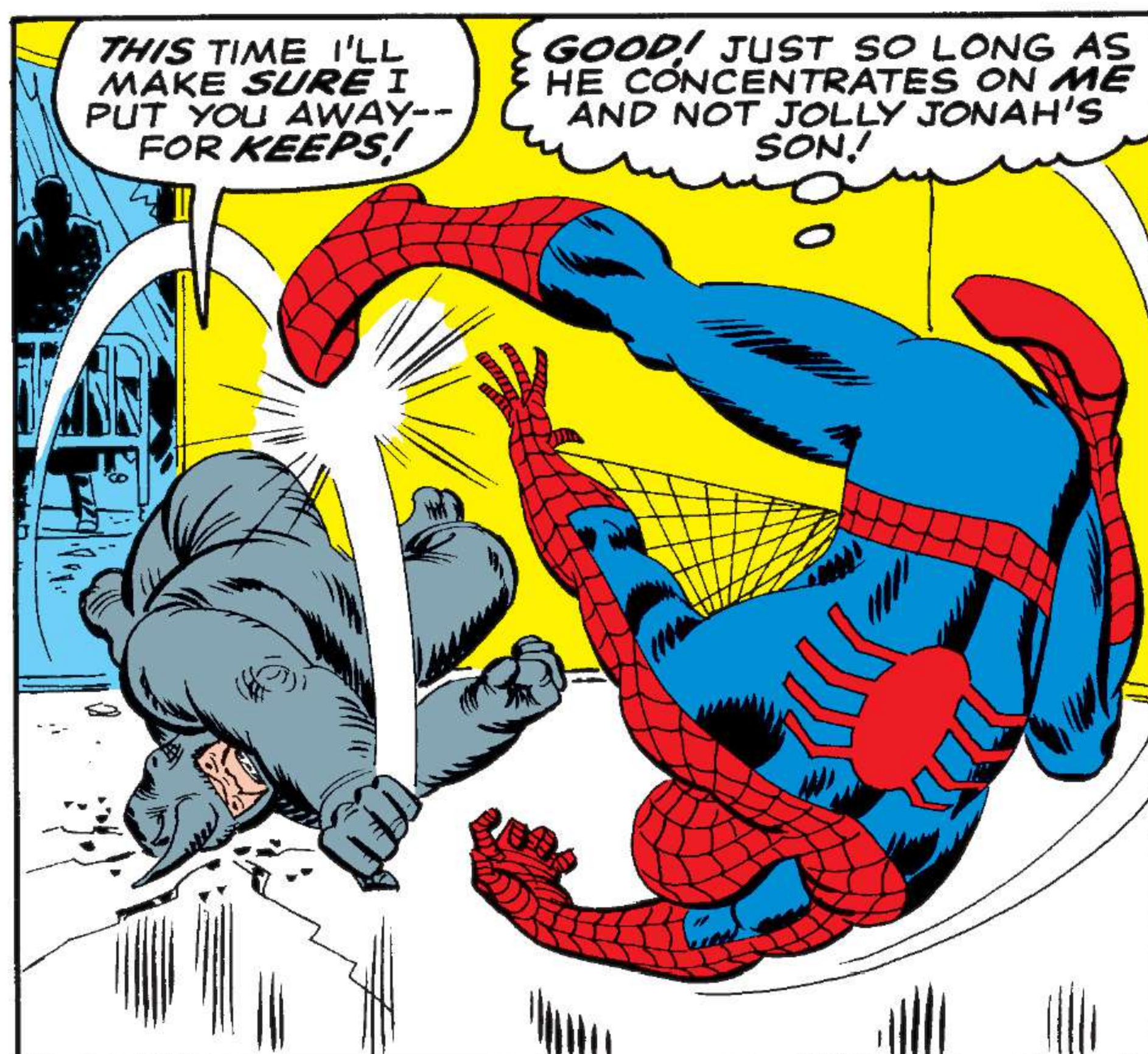
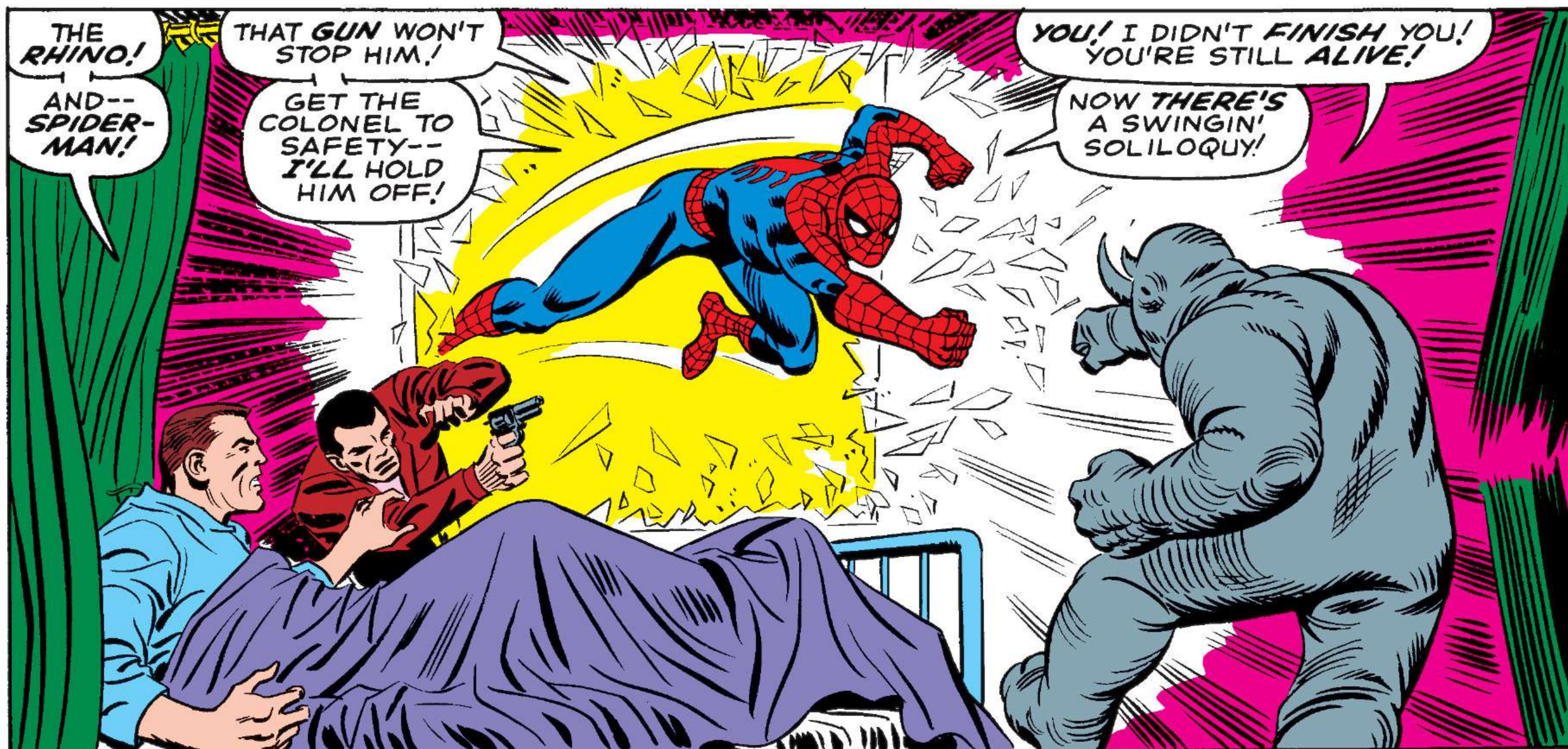
I SURE DON'T NEED THAT AGAIN!

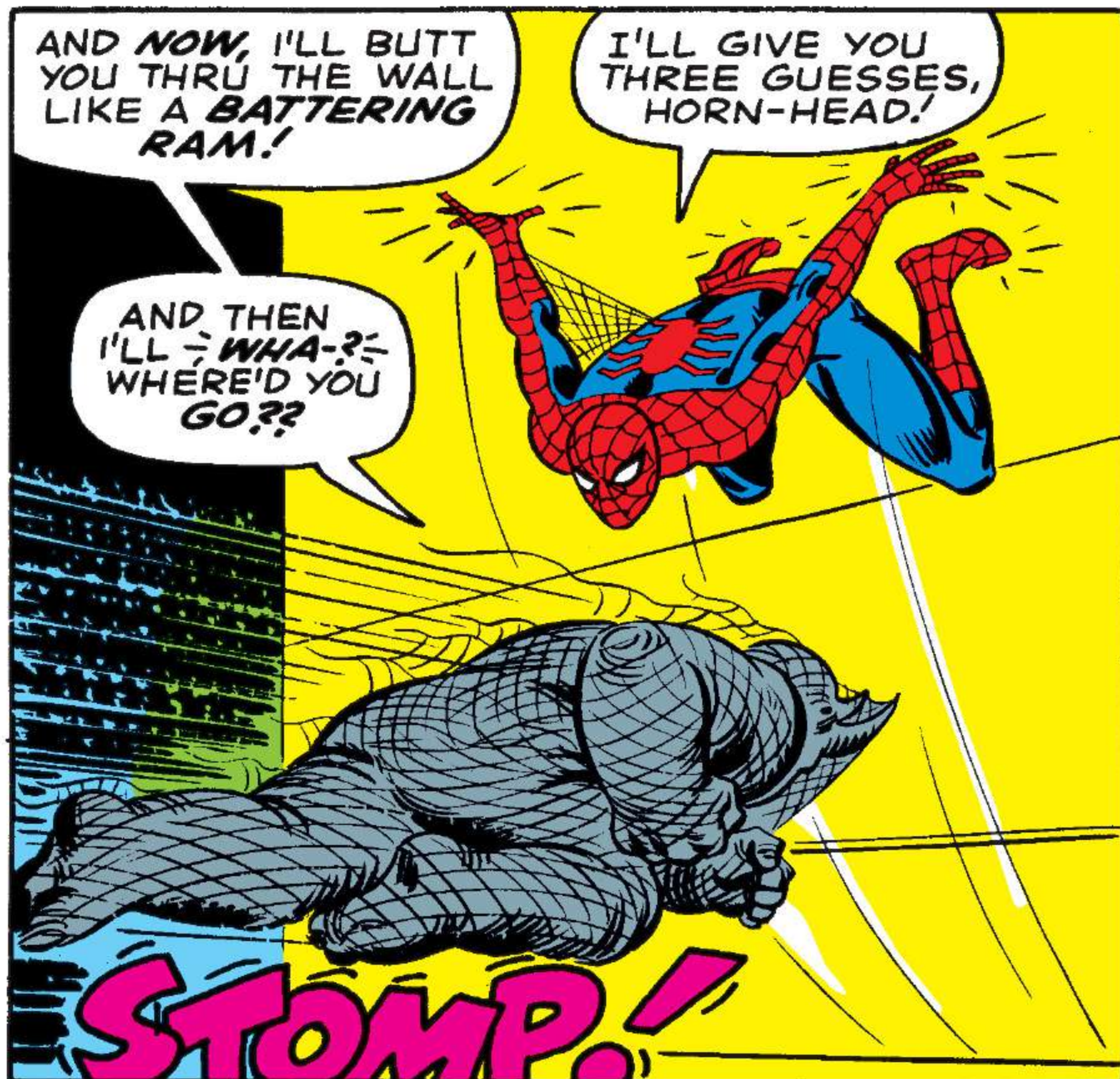


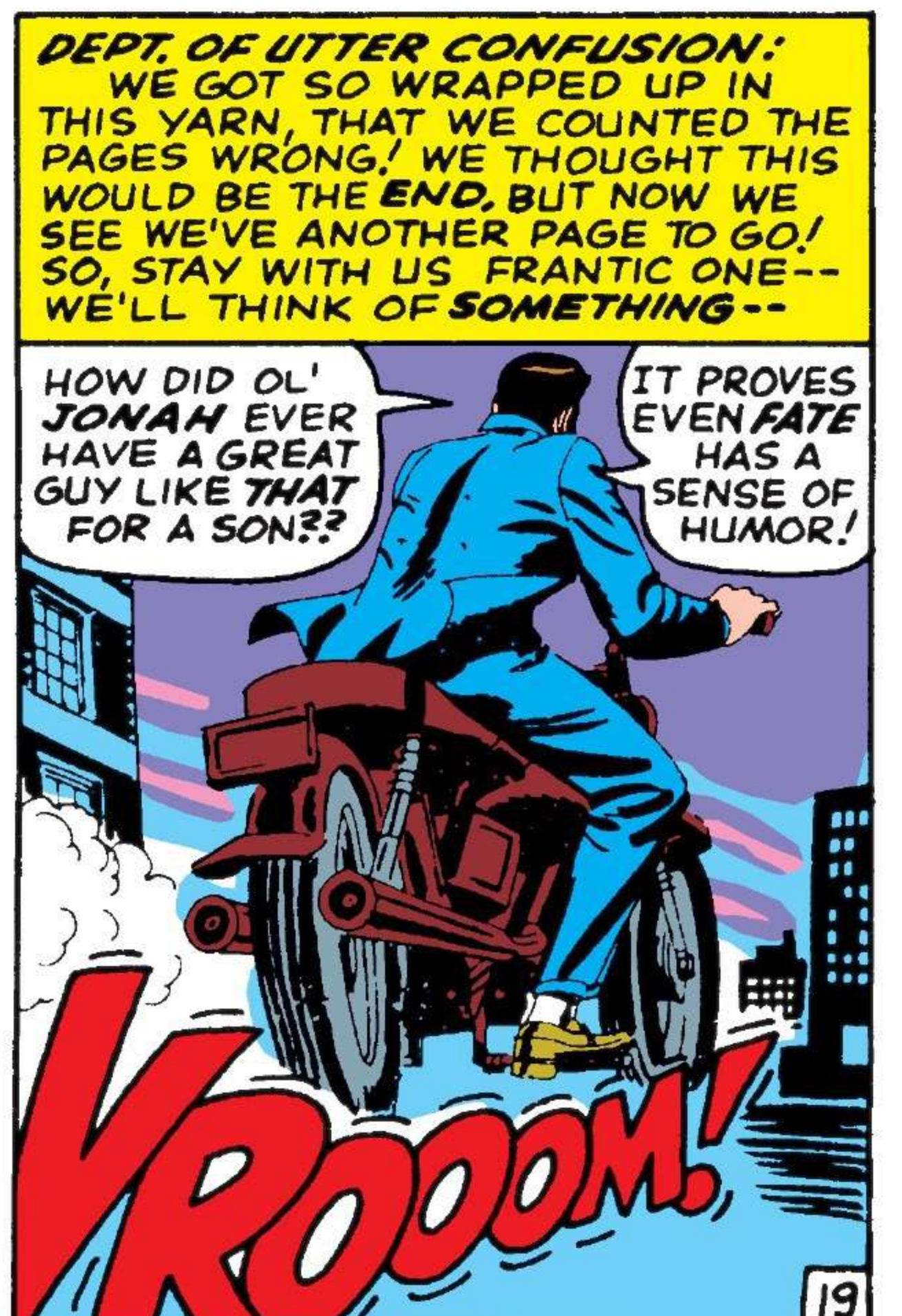
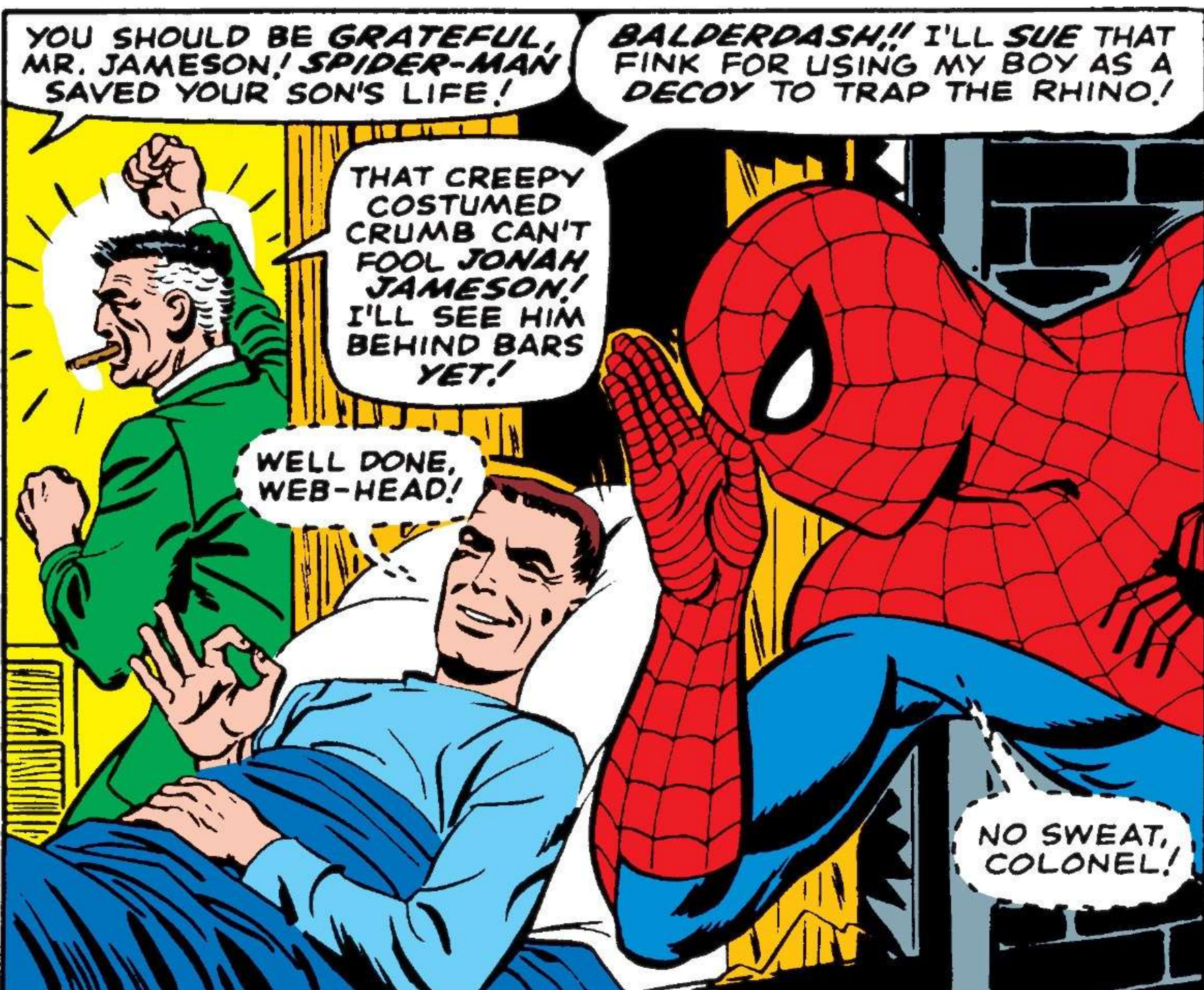
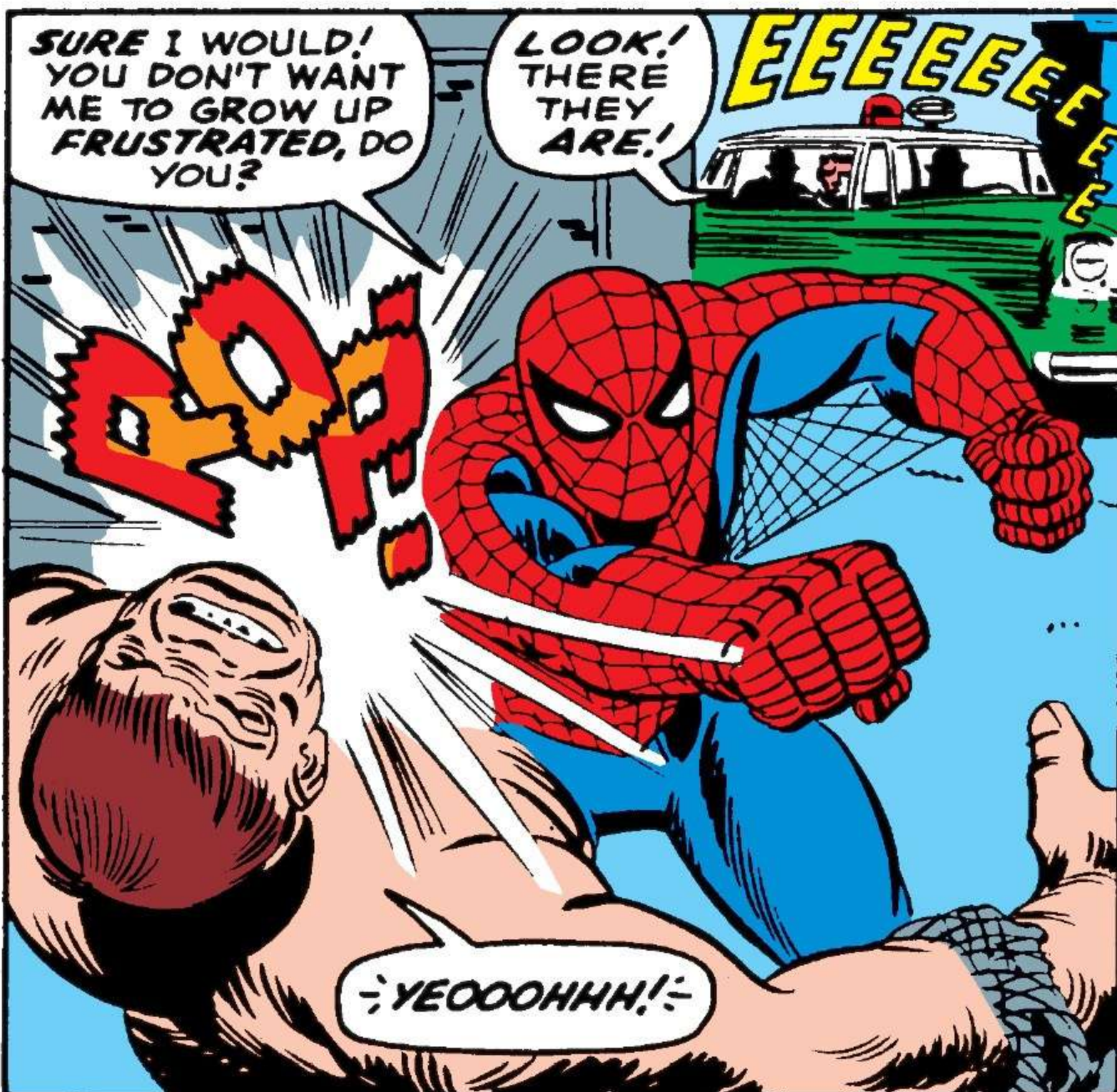
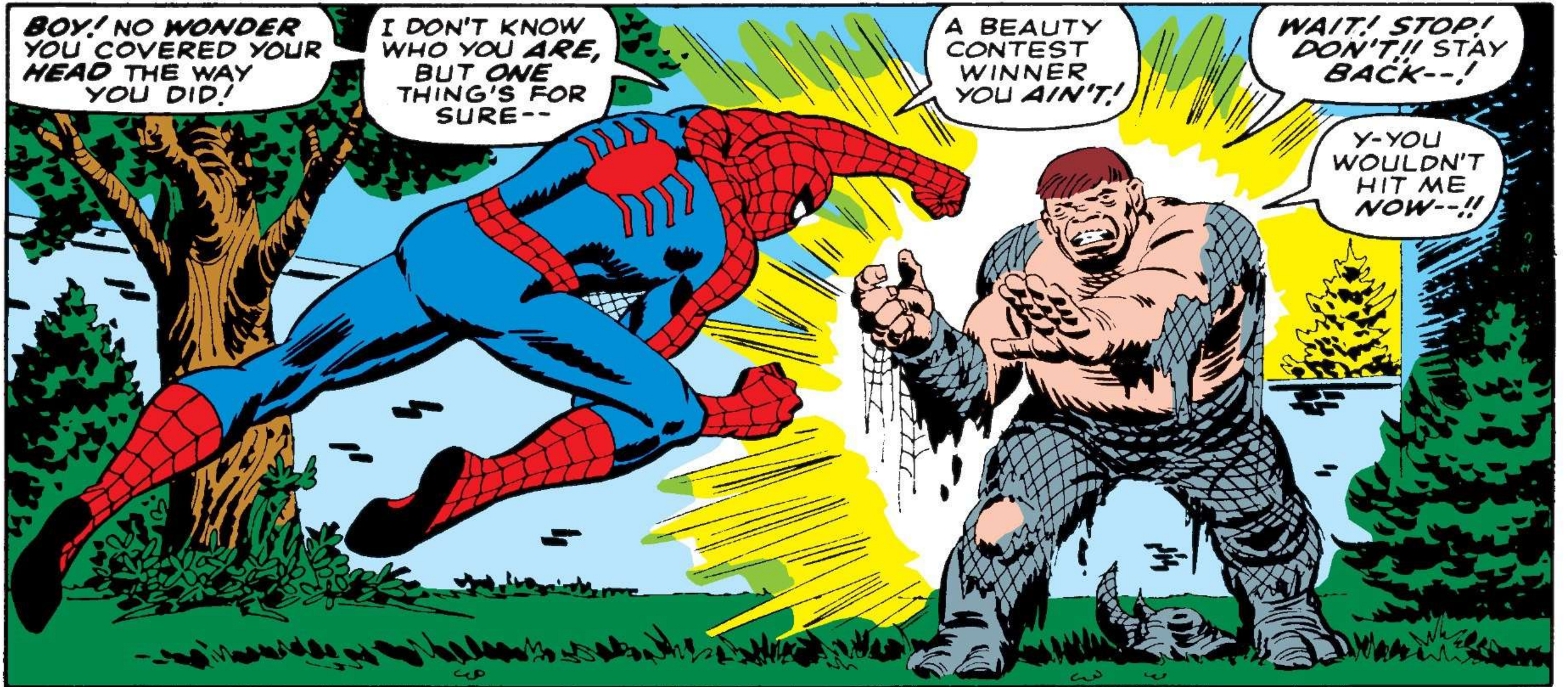
GOOD LUCK!

LEAVE A BUNSEN BURNER FLAMING IN THE WINDOW FOR ME, DOC!









LATER, AT A RED LIGHT, PETE SEES--

GWEN STACY--OUT WITH FLASH AND HARRY!

WE ALL WENT OUT TO DISCUSS THE BIG NEWS, PETER!

HI, PEOPLE! ARE YOU COMING BACK LATE--OR STARTING OUT EARLY?

WHAT BIG NEWS?

DIDN'T YOU HEAR? **FLASH** HAS TO REPORT FOR A **DRAFT PHYSICAL!**

YEAH! ALL OF A SUDDEN THEY CAN'T WIN THE WAR **WITHOUT** ME!

DID YOU GET YOUR NOTICE YET, PETE?




NO! AS A MATTER OF FACT, I **HAVEN'T**, HARRY!

I DON'T THINK THEY'D TAKE **PETER!** HE'S A **SCHOLARSHIP** STUDENT--AT THE VERY **TOP** OF HIS CLASS!

CAN YA PICTURE **PUNY PARKER** IN THE ARMY? WOTTA LAUGH!

THE **HUMOR** OF THAT SOMEHOW **ESCAPES** ME, FLASH!

I'VE BEEN SO **BUSY**, I **HAVEN'T** EVEN HAD TIME TO **THINK** OF THE DRAFT!



WELL, LOUD-MOUTH-- I WISH YOU **LUCK**-- NO MATTER **WHAT** HAPPENS!

KNOW SOMETHIN', PARKER? ANYONE EVER TELL YA THAT YOU'RE ALL **HEART?**

FLASH, ISN'T IT TIME THAT YOU AND PETE BURIED THE **HATCHET?**

BURY IT? **PUNY** PARKER COULDN'T EVEN **LIFT** IT!



IT'S A GOOD THING I'M NOT HOLDING MY BREATH WAITING FOR **GWEN** TO PUT IN A GOOD WORD FOR ME!

I'LL BET **MARY JANE** WOULDN'T JUST SIT BACK AND LET FLASH PUT ME DOWN!

ALTHOUGH, I GUESS I'VE NEVER **GIVEN** GWEN MUCH REASON TO CARE, ONE WAY OR ANOTHER!

LEAVING SO SOON, USELESS? WOTTA SHAME!

KINDA BREAKS YOU UP, DOESN'T IT?



BUT, REACHING HOME, PETER FINDS A **NEW** PROBLEM TO CONCERN HIM--

HI, AUNT MAY! I--

I-I DON'T KNOW, PETER! I'VE FELT SO--**WEAK**--ALL EVENING!

AUNT MAY! WHAT'S **WRONG?** YOU LOOK SO **PALE**--SO **LISTLESS**--!

I--DON'T LIKE TO **WORRY** YOU, DEAR--BUT--PERHAPS IT WILL--PASS--!


YOUR **MEDICINE!** I'VE GOT TO GET IT FOR YOU!



OH **NO!** NOTHING HERE BUT THE OLD, EMPTY BOTTLE!

NO **WONDER** SHE FEELS **WEAK!** SHE NEVER **REFILLED** THE PRESCRIPTION!

IT COULD ONLY HAVE BEEN BECAUSE--SHE DIDN'T HAVE THE **MONEY!**



YOU'RE A **GREAT** GUY, PARKER! WORRYING ABOUT GETTING YOUR OWN APARTMENT--BUYING A NEW CYCLE--THINKING ONLY OF **NUMBER ONE!**

--WHILE THE WOMAN WHO'S DEVOTED HER **LIFE** TO YOU DOES WITHOUT HER **MEDICINE** BECAUSE SHE CAN'T **AFFORD** A NEW BOTTLE!

PETER PARKER, BOY HERO! YEAH--ISN'T THAT A KING-SIZE JOKE!



LATER--

SOMETHING CAME UP, MARY JANE! CAN'T MAKE IT TOMORROW NIGHT--

THAT'S OKAY, TIGER! I'LL KEEP A STIFF UPPER LIP TILL YOU BUZZ ME AGAIN, HEAR?

SOUNDS AS THOUGH SHE COULDN'T CARE LESS!



WHAT'S **WRONG** WITH ME? I'VE DEFEATED SOME OF THE MOST POWERFUL **SUPER-VILLAINS** OF ALL TIME-- WITHOUT BATTING AN EYE!

BUT, WHY DO I HAVE SUCH TROUBLE--JUST MANAGING MY OWN **LIFE**--?

NEXT:

THE LIZARD CRAWLS AGAIN!

